# West's defence Chancellor at risk in Civil Service strikes

Eritain's Nato allies are deeply concerned by a union plan for selective strikes of key defence workers after today's 24-hour protest stoppage , by civil servants over pay. The country's secret surveillance communications network would be disrupted and, union leaders say, "there will be both national and international repercussions".

# Selective action after 24-hour stoppage

missiles ".

staff are to strike at the Clyde submarine base, disrupting operations "and specifically the availability of the Polaris misciles"

Maintenance engineers have been called out at the RAF Communications Centre, Pitrea

e, Fife, which runs a vital

Nato system, and testing engi-

neers at Rosyth are to walk out,

halting the testing of warship equipment and weaponry.

from tomorrow. They will be paid 85 per cent of normal gross

wages from union strike funds.

The unions also plan to dis-

rupt the implementation of tomorrow's Budget and then

gradually seize up the tax col-lection system. About 40 repro-

graphic staff at Somerset House

will refuse to print the new forms required by tax changes, and excise and VAT staff who

normally open the Chancellor of the Exchequer's instructions

will walk out before he rises in the Commons. That will delay

VAT payments flow

Greater dislocation of govern-

Mr Kendall argued: "As

borrow more and force up erest rates to get the

VAT collection grinds to a balt, the Government will be forced

Recalling that the 1979 strikes had obliged the Chan-

cellor to increase borrowing by

20 per cent and had forced up interest rates, he added: "We hope to blow the Government's economic strategy right off

The VAT banking unit will

cease to operate for the strike, and accounting of VAT receipts

will cease. A strike by 36-com puter operators at the Pay-

master General's office in Crawley—the banker for all government departments—will rob ministers of information on

how their cash limits policy is

working.
There will be further disrup-

tion of driving tests, and a wide range of selective and lightning action at ports and airports. Staff at Heathrow walked out late last night.

The unions are determined to

force the Cabiner to increase its

per cent pay offer and restore

the system of pay comparability.

Contingency plans: The Govern-ment last night put a brave face

on the announcement of Civil

Service strike targets (Our Political Editor writes). Each

department, it was said in Whitehall, had prepared its own contingency plans

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ment finances will arise from

a strike by 260 computer opera-

will be halted

interest rates

In all, more than 300 key defence personnel are being called our on indefinite strike

~Er Paul Routledge Lairour Editor

The defence capability of the will be undermined and British tax-gathering severely disrupted by selective strikes among civil servants being mounted in the wake of today's 24-hour protest stoppage over

A top-level warning has been given to union leaders that their plan to call out fewer than 100 key workers in Britain's secret communications surveillance network is causing concern among Nato

Union leaders last night refused to give details of their disruption programme, but I understand that members of three different unions are to strike at government communications her dquarters in Chelten-ham and at the secret tracking

ctation in Bude, Cornwall. Ministers have warned the Government is anxious about the impact of such action on the surveillance of Soviet warthis movements and on the and act upon them immediately strategic cover of top-secret will walk out before he rises in

rianals traffic.
Civil Service union leaders Civil Service union leaders higher taxes on petrol, ciga who yesterday announced their rettes and drink first "tranche" of industrial action would only say: "There will be a range of selective and disruptive action which will affect Britain's secret communications surveillance network. There will be both national and international repercussions.

end Industrial action will halt the flow of VAT payments worth £350m a week to the The Rengan administration has already indicated that United States funding of the stations and listening devices Treasury, might be stopped if the Americans cannot be satisfied that the system will be isolated from the industrial relations crisis in Eritain's secret service.

Computer operators

being brought out Fur the disruption also ex-tends to naval and RAF supply and communications facilities, and the Polaris submarine base on the Clyde. The unions confidently expect that Britain will have to pull out of the biennial "Wintex" military exercise which amounts to a Nato dryrun of preparations for a total war with the Soviet Union.
If that happens, ir will be for the second time. Civil Service strikes caused Britain to with-

draw from the exercise in 1979. Mr William Kendall, general secretary of the Council of Civil Service Unions (EOCSU), said yesterday: "We are fed up with the Whitehall brollyhrigade appellation. People should know there are many thousands of civil servants who do not wear striped pants and work in offices, but are scien-tists, technicians and engineers." The unions are bringing out computer operators at the naval supply centres at Eagleschiffe, near Middlesbrough, Llangennech, near Swansea, and Ensleigh, Bath, which they say

will mean "delays and chaos for Nato". Computers will also be stopped at the naval dockyards at Chatham, Portsmouth, Devon-

set to raise taxes by £3,000m and Fred Emery

A bleak Budget pushing up taxes by more than £3,000m, is likely to be announced by Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, tomorrow. The tax rises will mean sharp increases in the price of beer and other drinks, petrol and citarentes. cigarettes.

Income tax allowances are likely to be raised by only five per cent instead of the 15 per cent to meet inflation, which means that the real burden of tax will rise for all but the poorest.

Reports over the weekend suggested that beer would rise by 3p a pint, petrol by 15p a gallon and cigarettes by 12p for a packet of 20. Wine is thought likely to get off fairly easily, going up by between 10p and 12p a bottle, but spirits may rise by more than 60p a bottle.

These increases in most cases

These increases in most cases would represent a 30 per cent rise since the last Budget; twice the increase justified by straight application of the inflation rate to the end of

inilation rate to the end of last year.

Ministers will say that the real value of duty has been falling for many years and that they are just restoring some of its value. Big increases are inevitable and if a full 30 per cent goes through it would raise more than £1,800m from consumers.

consumers.

The only slightly bright note for families is the prospect of a 10 per cent increase in child benefit. Combined with £1,500m saved by not giving full increase in tax allowances, this will be used to cut the Government deficit

Big cash handouts for indus-try are unlikely although beavy oil duty may be cur. The Budget is expected to contribute £6,000m to the de-flation of the economy when combined with increases in in-

surance contributions and other measures announced But interest rates will be cut

probably by 2 or 3 per cent, and the Chancellor may have some words of encouragement for industrialists worried about the impact of the strong pound on their competitiveness. The Budget is likely to be final attempt to restore credibility to the Government's tat-

tered medium-term financial Strategy.
Gloomy Treasury forecasts presented to the Chancellor as he prepared the measures emphasized the fact that public

borrowing and growth of the money supply this year are well above target. above target.

Borrowing during this financial year is expected to be £5,000m more than planned at about £13,500m and measures are needed to bring next year's

forecast borrowing down to about £11,000m. Even this figure is far above the £7,500m estimate contained in the strategy, which was produced at the time of the last Budget. But the Government believes that the extra borrow-ing is caused by recession which is deeper than expected and does not jeopardize control

of money growth.
Treasury officials now expect the economy to keep sliding downhill until the summer, in-stead of levelling out about now as they were predicting only a few months ago.

This and a failure to cut spending has pushed borrowing up to a level which is thought

to put the Government's strategy at risk.

Although the main thrust of that polity is likely to be restirmed by the Chancellor tomorrow, there are expected to be the chances in the chances. be changes in the way the money supply is controlled and the form in which monetary targets are set.

The Government hopes that a cut in interest rates will both encourage stockbuilding and investment and get the pound to a more competitive level. It is felt that high public borrow-ing may have hurt the economy by forcing up interest rates and artracting money from said in a West German radio Continued on page 2, col 1 interview yesterday that he

Most of Suchitoto's inhabitants have fled, leaving ransacked buildings and political graffiti

# An eerily empty town reflects the tragedy of El Salvador

Two-thirds of the population of some 20,000 have fled since the town become the site of a battle between leftist guerrillas battle between serious garding and government forces during and government forces during

country as a proving ground for country. They make a textbook his determination to thwart study of how a political concommunism. It is hard because flict turns into a contest for not many of them are still here. greed and hatred. On the ground here, it has little to do

with ideology.

As the visitor drives in, the streets are certly empty. He notices first the burnt-out petrol

ing off the square to military headquarters, a score or more women and children queue with pens for water from an army tanker. The main supply was destroyed by a guerrilla bomb two weeks ago. Further on, is a burnt out bus, the international symbol of turmoil.

From Michael Leapman

Suchitoto, El Salvador, March 8

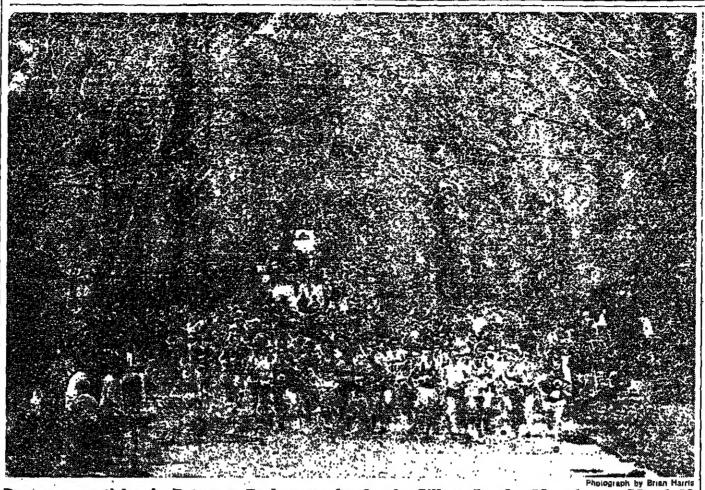
It is hard to tell whether the people of this once pleasant town, 30 miles north-east of San Salvador, agree with President Reagan's policy of using their country as a proving ground for this determination to thwart study of how a political continuous forms and the dangerous hills succountry. They make a textbook his determination to thwart study of how a political continuous graffit scrawled on the waits. bearded gumman wearing a graffit scrawled on the waits. bearded gumman wearing a continuous graffit scrawled on the waits. bearded gumman wearing a continuous study and scrawled gumman wearing a continuous study and security stream in a square, the straw stetson and with a 28 captivating white Spanish calibre pistol sticking out of his colonial church stands mirational continuous the main square, the straw stetson and with a 28 captivating white Spanish calibre pistol sticking out of his colonial church stands mirational continuous trouter help explained his role of the civil patrol, an intercontant militia that helps the continuous trouter help explained his role of the civil patrol, and the disaster afflicting this colonial church stands mirational continuous trouter help explained his role of the civil patrol, and the continuous trouter help explained this role of the civil patrol, and the continuous trouter help explained to continuous trouter help explained to the main square, the straw stetson and with a 28 captivation white Spanish calibre pistol sticking out of his colonial church stands mirations white Spanish calibre pistol sticking out of his colonial church stands mirations white Spanish calibre pistol sticking out of his colonial church stands mirations to the continuous trouter help explained to the colonial church stands mirations to the continuous trouter help explained to the colonial church stands mirations to the continuous trouter help explained to the colonial church stands mirations to the colonial church stands mirations to the colo from whose ranks the "death entiads, who murder suspected lafalsts are believed to be

drawn, He described atrochies by left-wing guerrillas when the to n was in their hands briefly during the January offensive. "They rounded up people and the guerrillas' final offensive notices first the burnt-out petrol symbol of turmoil. "They rounded up people and in January. Many are housed stations, then the ransacked Down another street is the tied bags over their heads", he in pathetic conditions at La buildings, the left-wing political Cafe Cantikal, where a black soid, "Then they need them up Down another street is the tied bags over their heads", he

Next day, he said, they killed seven more and began burning sugar and enffee fields. What would he do if he caught one of those responsible? "I would make them pay for it", he s.id.

We never take prisoners." Tales of horror by the right are offered by inmates of La Bermuda refugee camp down the road, where 1,400 duty and bedraggled people, mostly children, have fled from the turnoil of the war.

Many children have spots, rushes and infectious diseases Continued on page 6, col 6



Runners practising in Battersea Park yesterday for the Gillette London Marathon on March 29

# Diplomatic campaign mounted by Moscow

By Our Diplomatic Staff

Mr Victor Popov, the Soviet Ambassador, is to call on Mrs Margaret Thatcher today to deliver a letter believed to contain a message from President Brezhnev explaining his recent proposals for a summit meeting with President Reagan. Similar letters were delivered

at the weekend to Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, and President Giscard d'Estaing in Paris. Although details of the con-

tents have not been revealed the letters are presumed to elaborate on the views ex-pressed by the Soviet leader at last month's Communist Party Congress in Moscow. In what was considered to be

a definitive statement of Soviet policy, Mr Brezhnev called for a meeting with President Reagan and offered to halt the development of Russian submarines and to extend military confidence-building measures of the West did the same. He agreed to a proposal from France that advance notifica-tion should be extended for military exercises. European Russia up to the II-ple

Russia, up to the Urals.

He also called on Nato to stop the deployment of American missiles in Europe. Washington has reacted cautiously to Mr Brezhnev's overtures as the Soviet leader attempts to win concerted

European support for his sum-mit initiative. His letter to Herr Schmidt was delivered on Saturday, the day before Herr Hans-Dierrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, flew to Wash-ington for talks. Herr Schmidt said in a West German radio

would advise Mr Reagan to meet Mr Brezhnev.
Mrs Thatcher, who conferredwith Mr Reagan in Washington ten days ago, favours a cool response to the summir Normal follow-up tactics: The Russians normally follow up any proposals which they advance publicly with private messages and diplomacy and this is not the first time that Mr Brezhnev has sent personal letters to West European lead-ers (Michael Binyon writes from Moscow).

These messages generally come after any initiative that the Soviet Union regards as parricularly important, especially if public reaction in the West is good. Mr Brezhney repeatedly Western leaders not to accept the American proposals to develop the neutron bomb and also urged them to think again just before Nato agreed to deploy new American nuclear missiles in Europe in

Mr Brezhnev's letter to President Giscard, said to run to 11 pages, comes just as the French presidential election campaign gathers momentum and President Giscard will clearly try to show that his offer on extending confidencebuilding measures was instru-mental in getting a change in Soviet policy.

That is a point the Russians hope will strengthen their argu-

ments for the West to take up

Moscow's offers. But Moscow has little hope of Mr Brezhnev's letter having any influence on Mrs Thatcher since she has already made her tough anti-Soviet views clear in public statements in Wash-

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# Kabul hijackers fly out with 111 hostages

Islamabad, March 8 .- A Paki- crudely broke off negotiations stani airliner bijacked to with the hijackers and ended Afghanistan seven days ago left all contacts with them. In the Kabul today for Lamascus with light of the Pakistani authori-111 hostage passengers and crew apparently still on board, a Pakistan Government official

The Soviet news agency Tass reported from the Afghan capi-tal that the three Pakistani hiwith the Libyan Ambassador to Afghanistan before the Boeing 720 took off.
It said they condemned the

Pakistan Government for not meeting their demand for the release of 92 alleged political

The official Afghan news agency Bakhtar said the air-craft yas allowed to leave Kabul because the Pakistan Government's decision to break off negotiations with the bijackers had provoked a "dangerous situation ".

Bakhtar said: "On the evening of March 8 the Pakistan Government suddenly and

Possengers and crew were on the verge of physical and psychological collapse, he said. -Reuter and Agence France-Soviet riposte: Tass today described as absurd a statement by the United States Govern-

ties' position, the hijackers demanded that the aircraft be

refuelled and allowed to take

Earlier today one of the mem-bers of the Pakistani negotiators had said that the crew were no

acceptable safety conditions.

off immediately."

ment that it beld Moscow responsible for the safety of the bijocked passengers.

The State Department had said yesterday that the Soviet Union should use its influence in Kabul to obtain the safe release of the hostages, who in-clude three Americans.—Reuter.

## Concerto of confusion over Chopin recordings

By Martin Huckerby Music Reporter A record of Chapin's first plane concerts which has been on sale for more than a decade as one of the rare recordings by the late Rumanian virtuoso Dinu Lipatti is exactly the same as a record of the work by Halina Czerny-Stefenska, a Polish planist: On BEC Radio 3's Music

Weekly programme yesterday, Mr Robin Ray explained how a listener had pointed out that the records sounded alike, and he demonstrated on the programme that the performances were one and the same.

The Lipatti record was first issued by EMI in 1955, and was reissued as part of a based set last year. The LP by Miss

Czerny-Stefanska was issued in the early 1950s by the Crech record company, Supraphon, Mr Peter Andry, director of EMI's international classical division, said yesterday: "You can imagine the embarrassment to us". He said their record was made from a tape, with an unnamed orchestra and conductor, which originated with a Dr Kaspar in Switzerland, who

had subsequently died. He said the tape had been authenticated as a Lipatti performance by both Mrs Madeleine Lipatti, his widow, and by the late Walter Legge his recording manager. Since the new discovery, he had spoken to Mrs Lipath in France; he said she was "very upset" about the whole business, but was still convinced that it was a recording by her husband.

EMI was trying to unravel the matter Mr Andry sold. Another tape had recently turned up of the same E minor concerto, which was said to be a recording of a broadcast by Lipatti with the Zurich Tonballe that the record issued by EMI might be a rebearsal for that

broadcast. The Supraphon record listed the performance as by Miss Czerny-Stefanska with the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra under Vaclay Smetacek, and appeared within two or three years of

Lipatti's early death in 1950. The Polish planist is no longer well known in the west, but in 1949 she won joint first prize in the Warsaw Chopin competition, and two years later performed in London what was of the hostages, who in-ree Americans.—Reuter. Wave of arrests, page 6 Chopin E Minor Piano Concerto.

#### **Curtains for** Sunday performance By Our Theatre Reporter

Last night's performance of the West End variety show That's Showbiz was called off by Mr Stephen Kendall-Lane, the producer, who said most of the cast were frightened to go

on stage.

An injunction was issued in the High Court on Thursday which had the effect of forbidding Equity, the actors union from interfering with last night's performance. The union had previously instructed members not to work on Sunday, but after the infunction it delivered letters to the cast on Friday saying that the instruc-tion was withdrawn until such time as the order of the couri is revoked or modified.".

Nevertheless, most of the cast of 31 were worried at the consequences of performing, fear-ing that they might lose their union cards eventually. Kendall-Lane said that Mr about 100 tickets had been sold

for the performance before they stopped taking bookings on Saturday night. More people were turned away at the doors At about the time the currain should have gone up about 50 members of the public were admitted to the Phoenix Theatre where a lone pianist was playing. They found the cast sitting

in the stalls.

As the bemused audience filed in the pianist was interrupted by the arrival of Danny

Although he knew the show had been cancelled, he had travelled from Bristol to support the cast because, he said, I was bloody furious". Mr Kendall-Lane said they

would continue the fight. He apologized to the public and offered them either, their money back or tickets for another night. The band gave a brief render-

ing of the overture to the production, "A Live Show is the Best Show", before audience and cast headed dispiritedly into the night.

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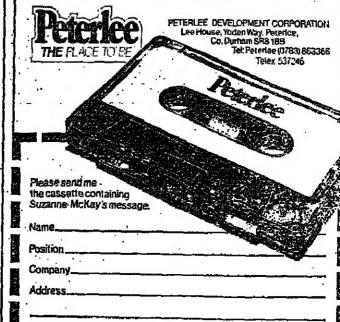
development officers, has recorded a message on tape that all industrialists considering expansion or re-structuring should hear. It doesn't contain the usual boring sales pitch about

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# Japanese asked to help British Steel

Nippon Steel, the world's most efficient producer of steel, has been asked by Mr Ian MacGregor, chairman of the British Steel Corporation, to provide advanced technology for the corporation in the reconstruction of some of its mills. A spokesman for the Japanese company said the rechnology "will increase BSC's yield and decrease pro-duction costs" Page 17

#### Bani-Sadr 'treason

Hojaroleslam Sadeq Khalkhali, the Iranian former religious judge, publicly demanded the trial of President Bani-Sadr for treason because of a violent Folitical rally in Tehran on Thursday. He was socaling in Parliament during a national furore over the violence in which even one of the President's clerical supporters accused him of megalomania

#### Polish Jews blamed

A Warsaw rally was told that Jews were responsible for evils under Stalinism. It was timed to coincide with a university meeting commemorating 1958 demands for freedom and the sub-sequent riots, condemned at the time

#### Car with two chassis unveiled by Lotus

Lotus unveiled a revolutionary twin-chassis Grand Prix T88 car in London before flying it out to California for track tests. The two chassis overcome vibrations that make cars impossible to drive on the limits. The T88 may line up alongside two conventional Lotuses the first race of the season in the United States next Sunday Page 10

## An Oxford golf first

Miss Jane Tucker, an economics undergraduate at Wadham College, Oxford, will be the first woman to represent the university at golf when she plays for the second team against Cambridge in the annual match on March 18. With Cambridge's consent she will play off the women's tees at Southport and Ainsdale Page 10

#### Art detective story

An art detective story will end next month with the sale at Christie's of a painting by Adam Elsheimer which is the last missing part of a seven-panel tabernacle dated about 1600 and, until Page 15 recently, believed lost

#### Parties woo blacks

The Labour and the Conservative parties are trying to woo the black electorate. During the past 18 months they have been trying to persuade local parties to consider non-white candidates

#### Hang-gliders used in attack on Israel

Two Palestinian guerrillas tried to attack Israel by flying over the frontier from Lebanon on sporting-type hang-gliders equipped with small motors. But only one managed to reach Israel and both were captured exhausted and

#### British tennis win

Britain beat Italy 3-2 in the Davis Cup at Brighton, thus qualifying for a place in the last eight against New Zealand. Britain led 2—1 at the start of yesterday's play, but Panatta beat Lewis to level the score, Mottram then won the deciding singles Page 16

pledge: Mr. John Nott promised a study later this year of crucial questions

Government alert: Councils failing to. achieve savings targets have received a warning that their freedom might be

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Evidence that pupils do better in single sex than in mixed schools will have to be reviewed in the light of new

A report to be published by A report to be published by the Government later this year, giving the results of the second national survey of the performance in mathematics of pupils aged 15. says that although the overall findings confirmed earlier studies in suggesting that both boys and girls do better in single-sex schools, a different picture emerged when schools were divided into two groups. comdivided into two eroups, com-prehensives and those with a

selective intake. Then it was found that in comprehensive schools there was no difference at all in the performance of punils in singlesex and mixed schools: selec-tive schools accounted for the entire difference in perform-ance between single-sex and

The survey was carried out by the Assessment of Performance Unit (APU), which is part of the Department of Education

and Science. Without further investigation, it was impossible to judge whether that difference was related to the sex-type of the school or to some other factor such as a tendency for grammar schools to be single sex and secondary moderns mixed, the

The APU's first national surmathematics survey. England is to be vey of the performance of and Northern Ireland obtained to include pupils aged 15 in English languithe highest scores and Wales ing skills.

is the most neglected pupil in

the state education system, Mr Peter Dawson, general secretary of the Professional Association

of Teachers, told a conference

organized by the National Council for Educational Standards in

The comprehensive school

had spent much time and attention on clever children and devoted resources to them because they produced good academic results. It had also provided "fairly lavishly" in recent years for the child with

acute learning difficulties, Mr l'awson, a former comprehen-sive school head, said.

But the average child was

"He scores seven out of 10 for

his homework, when he could score eight or nine if pressed hurder. In class, his work is adequate. He bothers no one, so his teachers do not bother him. Thus our greatest natural

**McAliskey** 

entry hint

Speculations is growing that Mrs Bernadette McAliskey, former MP for Mid Ulster.

who was seriously wounded in a shooting in January, will con-

test the coming Fermanagh and

On Saturday she made her first public appearance since

the strack, when she attended the funeral of Mr Frank Maguire, a close friend for many years, who had held the

sent since 1974.

Mrs McAliskey used crutches and har right leg was in plas-

ter. She has called a press

conference for today to an-nounce her plans, which will almost certainly include re-

turning to an active role in the National H-Block Commit-

tec. which is organizing the

protest campaign in support of

Mr Pobby Sands, the IRA man who has been on hunger strike for a week

chance of winning the marginal scat, nartly because the Union-

seat, has the necause the continuity vote will be split between the timal narties and because the shooting has created a great deal of public sympathy

for her. Protestant jail: Chanring dem-

Shelter launches

She would have an excellent

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ng neglected, he maintained.

London yesterday.

age (reading and writing), which is also to be published later this year, indicates as well that girls and boys do better in single-sex schools, except in Northern Ireland where no significant difference was

In Northern Ireland, only 44 per cent of pupils are in mixed schools compared with 79 per cent in England, and 93 per cent in Wales. Unfortunately, the schools in

Unfortunately, the schools in the English-language survey were not divided into comprehensives and selective schools. But the report emphasizes just because a school's sex-type is found to be associated with pupil performance, they are not necessarily casually related.

Overall, the suveys showed that in all types of school boys tended to do better than girls in mathematics, but much less

in mathematics, but much less well in writing (where tests included style and content as well as grammar and spelling) and about the same as girls in reading

and about the same as girls in reading.

Differences found in pupils' performance in different regions produced an inconclusive pattern. For reading, pupils' performance in England as a whole was better than in Northern Ireland, although Northern Ireland scored higher than England in the APU's earlier survey of 11-year-olds.

No significant difference No significant difference were found in the scores for writing between the regions. But in the secondary school

Average pupils 'most neglected'

wastes away."
He blamed the failure of

many comprehensive schools on

the fact that, when they were established in the 1950s and early 1960s, the head teachers

were almost invariably re-cruited from grammar or inde-pendent schools.

If a comprehensive school was to be successful, it must

have a balanced comprehensive intake. But, Mr Dawson argued,

that was impossible for many schools if parents were given the right to choose schools; and

yet without parental choice, all schools were doomed to failure.

"The very success of some schools is made possible only by the failure of others."

Dr John Marks and Mrs Caroline Cox, both members of the National Council for Educational Passarth says further

tional Research, gave further details arising from their study

Sir Philip Dawson has won 931 Kovai Gold Medal

architecture, an award which will be greeted with great

pleasure internationally and by

The Royal Gold Medal is

awarded annually on the recom-

mendation of the Royal Institute

of British Architects. Its re-cipients over the past century have included eminent figures

(not necessarily architects) from

Sir Philip is the senior

partner of Arup Associates, the

partner of Arup Associates, a architects, a firm which was spawned by Ove Arup and Partners, engineers. Sir Ove

Arup is a previous recipient of

Arup Associates have designed a corpus of modern buildings whose collective quality is possibly unmatched by any other British firm. Notable achievements include new buildings to St John's College, Oxford, Leckhampton House in Cambridge, the restoration of the Maltings at Snape.

ation of the Maltings at Snape, the University of East Anglia Music School, the new CEGB

headquarters at Bedminster Down, Bristol, and Lloyds Underwriters, at the Gunwharf,

Sir Philip once admitted that

he had been greatly influenced

those interested in

architecture.

all over the world.

By Charles McKean

details arising from their study of sixth forms in inner-London comprehensive schools which, they claimed, confirmed earlier conclusions that "a cruel confidence trick" was being families.

1981 Royal Gold Medal

won by British architect

earlier mathematics survey of 11-year-olds, Wales had scored higher than England, and Northern Ireland highest of all.

Northern Ireland highest of all. Paradoxically, the results of the English language survey suggest that pupils do worse in schools with the more favourable teacher-pupil ratios. That may be explained by the fact that schools with favourable teacher-pupil ratios tend to be found in poorer areas.

Less than 1 per cent of the 10,000 15-year-old pupils involved in the English language survey were found to be illiterate when judged by the criteria of being "able to read with understanding, and to express themselves in writing in such a way as to be understood by others".

Four out of five pupils said they liked to read by themselves for pleasure, although only a quarter liked to read for hours on end". Just over half preferred to read comics or magazines rather than books. One third enjoyed reading poetry.

On the writing tests, nearly balf of the pupils produced work containing only very few grammatical errors, and the work of a third showed no more than a few spelling errors. The APU has decided to extend its English-language

monitoring programme which like mathematics and science is to be carried out annually to include listening and speak

played on inner London pupils. They said that their pamphlet published last month, giving details of A-level examination results in 1978 for 90 comprehensives in the Inner London Education Authority, had been described by Mr Peter Newsam, the authority's chief education officer, as "an act of buffoonery" on the ground that they had not included HEA schools with a selective intake and above average A-level results.

But they had now obtained the A-level results for all

schools in three ILEA divi-

schools in three ILBA divi-sions, Islington, Hackney, and Tower Hamlets. Those cor-roborated their earlier findings, they said. The A-level pass rate in those divisions was only 55

per cent, and the average teach-ing group for eight main A-level subjects contained fewer than



Fluttering and dancing in yesterday's stiff breezes: daffodils near Hyde Park Corner.

# Mr Heseltine warns councils on savings

Conservative councils on their

Looking ahead to the county

Mr Heseltine said the Government was elected to reduce spending, and local govern-ment could not be exempted. "I believe the targets we have set ourselves are reasonable in all the circumstances. There are

Answering criticisms on the block grant, he said it would have been wrong to have delayed its introduction. Its benefits would be seen soon. A period of stability would enable councils to take advantage of the benefits and the second stability would enable councils to take advantage of the benefits would be seen soon.

except in the last year, and they were not responsible for the setting of the spending targets. But when the Government had set them, councils must achieve them, and they must do so in the voluntary climate that

ment to take more powers to control local expenditure.

Mr Heseltine's emphasis on the need for the voluntary compliance by local authorities in making reductions was underlined by Mr Tom King, minister for local government, which clearly indicated the Government's concern that councils overall appear to be budgeting to overspend during

the coming year.

The threat of further government action remained veiled, and Mr King would not be drawn on the question of whether outside accountants

particularly from London, complained about the effect of the block grant and the inevitable high rate increases it would Mr Nicholas Freeman, leader

Mr Nicholas Freeman, leader of Kensington and Chelsea, said it had complied with every government guideline but because of the Inner London Education Authority precept and the loss of gran, its increase would be 52.5 per cent. Had anybody told Mrs Margaret Thatcher, who lives in the borough, what her rate increase would be, he asked.

Mr James Prior, Secretary of

Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, told the conference he hoped that Sand-well councillors who dismissed Miss Joanna Harris for refusing to join a union would be sur-charged if an industrial tribunal awarded ber damages.

"No council ought to be allowed to get away with that sort of action", he said. Mr Prior added that until the passing of the Employment Act, Miss Harris would not have had any remedy over her dismissal any remedy over her dismissal, and that the Government would continue looking to see other remedies were available.

His comments brought strong reaction from Mr Frank Cooney, a member of Hereford

MP seeking to give prisoners rights on

Grasp the nettle and get us rid of this evil." But Mr Prior defended his step-by-step approach to the Act.

Mr John Stanley, Minister for Housing and Construction, gave an assurance of support for council tenants who were delayed in their attempts to buy their homes. He said: "The Government

is not prepared to see those who have a wholly valid and wholly legitimate legal right to buy their homes, conferred on them by Parliament, being subjected to unreasonable delay, ceaseless frustration or out-right political obstruction". Tenants need be in no doubt

that the Government would take what steps were necessary to see that those who had exer-cised their legal right to buy their homes did become home

The low-key conference was enlivened by a visit from Mrs Thatcher during the lunch break to give Conservative councillors encouragement for the forthcoming elections.

Lord Thorneycroft, party chairman, also added his sup-port. He rold the delegates: "Do not pretend that the fight ahead is an easy one, but I want you to win it". He admitted that after two years the Government was unpopular, would be sent into authorities and Worcester County Council, admitted that after two years to find savings:

Who said: "I am fed up with the Government was unpopular, listening to your explanations. but there would be no U-turn.

# phenous in the sight of Got In his common to the ending service at St. Joins's K. Perth. Dr. Johnston so: "Accelerating uncomboymeraches its saddest and mevil when it affects you people. "Is there any econo theory that can justify the derogation of human life a this denumanizing of the in vidual, to say nothing of t time-bomb of resentment of we set ticking into the future

Churches

spending

urge fast over public

By Clifford Longley
Religious Affoirs Correspon
As if in defiance of the P
Minister's werning to
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"social responsibility"
calling today for a "fast
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Mrs Margaret Thate

speaking at St Lowrence Je in the City of London les; I nesday, said that if the chi

nesday, said that the control is "this can only weaken the fluence and independence the church, whose men ideally should help the ting of all political parties. Today the British Council Churches is putting and

5p, a prayer leafler end
"Lenten Fast for Justice
Public Expenditure". A
of prayer and fasting for

or prayer and tasting for cause is being organized March 22 by the Board Social Responsibility of General Synod of the Churc England, the Division of St. Responsibility of the Metha Conference, and the Social State Complete of the Church State Churc

fare Commission of the Ro-fare Commission of the Ro-Catholic Bishops Conference England and Wates. It was planned before Thatcher's address on Wednesday, but demonstrate gulf between her con-tion of the churches.

tion of the churches' duty

The leaflet descends into political arena to the exten-discussing child benefit all

ances, housing, unemploymend the level of overseas

tor of the General Assembly the Church of Scotland,

night described the Gove ment's economic policy immoral to humanity and b

Dr William Johnston, mod-

Airline offer £99 return fare to US

By Arthur Reed

Return air fares of £99 fre Gatwick sirport and Mancheter to New York are to offered on selected flights th summer by Jetsave, a compa-specializing in transatiant

holidays.
That is the same price as it cheapest single standby fare t British Airways, Transwor Airlines and Panamerican Air pioneered curprice Atlan

Jetsave said vesterday th passencers paying 599 retu would be given free meals, wi and cocktails. There would al

be in-flight films. The low fare will be availab only on six departures in Ma June and October. Bookings, i which full payment is require should be made three-and-a-h

weeks in advance of travel. Jetsave said that in the su mer its normal "latesave" would rise to £179, but claim that that would still be r lowest return fare availab compared with £190 on Lak and 5256 on BA, Panam ai

Mr Reginald Pycroft, mana ing director of Jetsave, sai We decided to launch the price-cutting fares at Budg time to show people that pric can come down, as well as

Boat pledge sought

Mr David Clark, an oppo tion spokesman on defend yesterday demanded an assu ance that the Governme would countermand the "pr posterous and scandalous" su gestion that five Royal Nav oup's support. | pairol boats might be built in Prisoners' rights, page 14 Hongkong.

Correspondent

Local authorities have re-ceived a warning that their freedom might be curtailed if they fail to achieve govern-

they fail to achieve government savings targets.

Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, addressing the Conservative Party local government conference in London on Saturday, defended his actions in asking for reduced spending and in introducing the block grant system, and congratulated Conservative councils on their

council elections on May 7, he of £86m said the conservatives were the only ones capable of challenging experts.

Mr E

no soft or cosy options".

tage of the changes.

Local authorities had a good record of achieving targets

The system was worth pre-serving, but he had to persuade the bill payers that it was, and they were asking the Govern-

Mr Heseltine orged councils to use outside accountants to help them to make savings. He pointed to the success of the government exercise in the water industry, where savings of £86m had been found in two weeks with the help of outside

voting and court action over jail rules

The Prisoners Rights Bill.

It goes before Parliament on

to give a prisoner a chance to ake action through the courts

The Bill has the legal action."
The Bill has the support in principle of the Howard League for Penal Reform, the National Council for Civil Liberties and the all-party parliamentary penal affairs

troublemakers. The judge found that although the prison rules had been breached in the way the prisoner was detained, that did not give him the right to sue. Tile court held that the rules relating to internal administration were a matter for the

The nine-clause Bill would also give prisoners the right to be able to know the rules. Many do not, and therefore do not know when they have been breached. Prisoners would be entitled

to receive legal advice in con-fidence, without letters being opened, and to receive visits from lawyers. The Royal Com-mission on Legal Services noted the difficulties faced by prisoners who needed legal advice, not just over their con-viction but on domestic and financial matters.

The Bill also gives prisoners certain basic rights when being disciplined by a Board of Visitors such as knowing the charge in advance, being legally represented and being able to call witnesses.

A prisoner would be entitled to know why he has a particu-lar classification (for example, category A) and make repre-

Other clauses give the right to vote, at the moment denied

prisoners however short term, and greater freedom of correspondence. The Government has been found in breach of the European Convention on Human Rights for censoring prisoners' mail and the European Commission is expected to make a second finding to that effect The National Council for Civil

Liberties said yesterday: " Bill is important not just for prisoners who have committed a major criminal offence but for the majority who are only in prison for a short time. We believe prisoners have certain basic rights and this Bill gives those rights the backing of the

Mr Martin Wright, director of the Howard league, said it was essential for the successful re-habilitation of prisoners in society for them to have been fairly treated when in prison. "In several important ways at present the law of the land stops at the prison gates and prisoners do not have access to Mr Robert Kilroy-Silk, Labour

MP for Ormskirk and chairman of the Commons penal affairs group, said the Bill would have the group's support.

St John-Stevas attack on

#### Organizers said that 600 people from all over Europe attended the one-hour protest. rally. The 29 women are refusine to carry out normal prison duties, but have interruoted a "dirty" By A Staff Reporter About 1,000 Lambeth rateprotest to focus attention on Mr Sands' hunger strike. He is backing the demand for political status for IRA

payers' organizations claimed payers' organizations claimed that public pressure and the threat of legal action to surcharge and disqualify members of the controlling Labour group had already obliged it to make economies of more than film, reducing the proposed rate inincrease from 57 per cent to 37 per cent.

not enough, and demanded an increase of no more than 30 percent in the coming year, and a promise of no increase at all the year after.

Lambeth's Labour councillors meet to discuss the rate increase tonight.

Soaring rate: Crawley Council in West Sussex, has approved a rise in the borough's rate of 97 per cent from 17.5p to 34.5p in the pound, which is one of the highest in the country.

One reason for the rate demand is the loss of the government's rate support grant because of the council's refusal to reduce public spending.

reduce public spending.



Sir Philip Dawson: Austere

by training in a carpenter's shop, with a resulting fascina-tion in how things are put together, and in exposing all the joints. This background, coupled with an austere intellectual approach, explains much

intellectual approach.

of his architecture.

It is not frivolous. Nor is it really fashionable. He is probably the modern British architect who most resembles Sir William Chambers, the eight-eenth century British architect: no frills all brain.

#### shows earns £2m By A Staff Reporter

Sale of BBC

A four-day screening of BBC

Television programmes for overseas buyers has resulted in sales totalling £2m, according to provisional figures released The session attracted 142

buyers from 51 broadcasting organizations in 22 countries; four networks presented 100 hours of the latest BBC programmes and 600 cassettes were available for individual screening.

Drama and documentaries were among the best-sellers to Europe, including the play Caught on a Train: the serials Sons and Louers, To Serve Them All My Days and Forgive Our Foolish Ways: the Escape series and the Great Railway Journeys of the World.

Mr Bryon Parkin, managing director of BBC Enterprises, said the figures were encourdirector aging.

Oxford Union election Miss Sandy Jones, aged 21,

languages and classics under graduate at New College, Oxford, is to be president of the Oxford Union next term. She beat Mr Paul Darling, of St Edmund Hall, by 12 votes.

# Frances Gibb in which a prisoner tried unfound implications of a classi-private member's Bill is successfully to sue the Home fication, a prisoner cannot lished today which would Office for his detention in a challenge it. control unit" for

give prisoners the right to rote in elections and the right to bring a court action if the Prison Act or rules, which deal with such matters as loss of remission and solitary continement, are breached by the authorities.

drawn up by Mr Alfred Dubs, Labour MP for Wandsworth, Battersea South, aims at consolidating those court rulings in the past few years which have given prisoners rights and at redressing the adverse effect of others.

Wednesday under the 10-minute Bill rule if it is approved in principle, it will go on the list Mr Dubs said: "The aim is

if he feels he is not getting the rights to which he is entitled. Prison authorities are less likely to ignore those rights if there is the threat that the

If made law, it would reverse sentations against it. The courts a High Court ruling last year have held that despite the pro-

## change in rape law

By a Staff Reporter The Conservative Women's

It disagrees with the recommendation of the Criminal Law to root out the real causes of

The committee has also come out against suggested changes in the law on incest. "The very strong moral, religious and genetic taboo on incest in society today could be destroyed by legalising the act for consenting adults", such as father and daughter or brother and sister it says and sister, it says.

#### **Arts Council cuts** By Our Theatre Reporter like the Star Chamber court Criticism of the Arts Council over its ending of grants to 41 organizations reached a new

pitch yesterday with an attack by Mr Norman St John-Stevas, who was Minister for the Arts at the time of the cuts last December.

The council has received a welter of complaints about the

cuts but many have been from companies which lost their grants. Mr St John-Stevas's condemnation may prove much more embarrassing. In an arricle in The Sunday

In an article in The Sunday the council ought to have given Times, he suggested that the a grant to the D'Oyly Carte council had appeared to act Opera Company.

He described the manner is which the cuts were made a:
ill-judged and incompatible
with those civilized value:
which the council rightly claimed to represent. Complaining of the lack of

any coherent justification for the change in policy, he said it was wrong to cut grants to the National Youth Orchestra, the National Youth Brass Band and the National Youth Theatre, criticized the treatment of the Cld Vic Company and suggested

# School plan for jobless

A state allowance to keep all from the labour market to those aged between 16 and 19 leave more jobs for adults. in some form of educational training is to be recommended by the Central Policy Review Staff, the Government's "think

It will suggest that the Goverament should consider re- all moving the whole age group training.

tank "

Government plans are due to be announced next month to reform and expand the industrial training system. The proposal of the policy review staff extends the beauty and the control of the policy review. staff extends the plan the Sec-retary of State for Employment is already considering to offer all school leavers a year of

#### drive in Ulster By a Staff Reporter Shelter, the national cam-paign for the homeless, is launching a campaign in sup-rort of its new offshoot in Northern Ireland. An article in the charity's magazine Roof, published today, says that nearly a third of louses in the province need immediate repair or renewal. More than three times as many

homes

amenities.

More than a quarter of the unfit dwellings are concentrated in Belfast, and there is a heavy backlog of urgent repairs to public authority The Northern Ireland Housing Executive estimates that it should build 5,000 homes a year

for the next 10 years.

houses as in England lack basic

# onstrators nicketed the maximum security Armagh jail in Northern Ireland yesterday damanding political status for 29 women prisoners (the Press Rate protest attracts 1,000

Chatham.

payers attended a rally on lapham Common, London, yesterday to protest against their council's proposed rate in-

Speakers from local rateper cent.
The speakers said that was

he year after.

Lambeth's Labour councillors

Labour drive to woo black electorate as Tories claim some quiet success by Lucy Hodges said. There were 132 replies approved by the Greater Lon-The Labour and Conservative to the questionnaire out of 635 don Labour Party conference parties are setting out to woo the black electorate. In the past 18 months both have been

making friends and trying to persuade local parties to consider black candidates. Their tactics differ. Labour is publicly trying to respond to black needs, reshaping its policies and lobbying constituencies systematically. The Conservatives are quietly inviting Asians to parties and help-ing them with their individual

The Labour Party will shortly be approaching all its regional organizers to persuade them to take action. There are signs that Labour is worried about its poor past performance in this area and about the headway the Conservatives have made.

A confidential survey carried out recently for Labour's human rights and race relations subcommittee showed that only a quarter of all constituency Labour parties that replied to a questionnaire took any action at election time to get in touch with ethnic minorities. "The picture is a dismal Leader of the Opposition, yes-one", the committee's report terdey endorsed a statement

local parties, an average response. Only 8 per cent claimed to be doing anything special to recruit blacks. The Conservatives have been more successful in welcoming

Mrs Norma Green, deputy chairman of the Greater London area Conservative Party. said great strides had been made in the past 18 months by some local parties. "You can go to a Conservative function and see quite a lot of racial mixing", she said. "There is an atmosphere of friendship." Critics that approach say it is calculating and designed to appeal to the status-seekers in the ethnic minorities, rather than to present anything of whitehead to be a blooks. substance to blacks.

The Conservatives bave set up the Anglo-Asian Conservative Association and the being ma Association. Labour is not in-clined to follow suit but it is determined to improve its image with blacks. Foot backing : Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, yes-

that described the fire at Deptford, south London, on January 18 in which 13 young blacks died as "mass murder" and a dastardly crime" (the Press Association reports). One of the main tasks of the next Labour government would be to do everything in its power

The fire led to black protests and clashes with the police on Monday last week. It has been alleged that the police have not properly investigated the cause of the fire because the victims

The statement, made at the conference yesterday by Mr Arthur Latham, the chairman, expressed grief at the tragedy and said that the community had the right to be reassured that the maximum effort was being made to find those res-

onsione.
"It needs to be made powerent that there is an apparent that investigation being conducted investigation being conducted of a scale and intensity to match the seriousness with which the community rightly regards this dastardly crime."

# Women oppose

National Advisory Committee would oppose changes in the law to extend the offence of rape to include all cases where a husband has sexual inter-course with his wife without

Revision Committee that the offence of rape should be extended to include "marital rape". It believes such a change would be impractical. The committee has also come

Modern art auction

An auction of contemporary art will be held at the Royal Academy this summer in aid of Artlaw Services, established in 1978 to provide legal advice to

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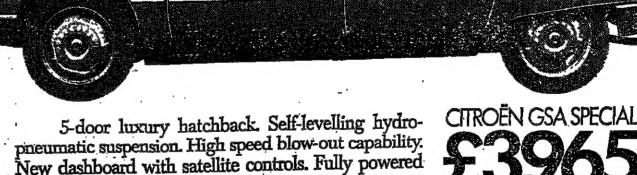
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deadly intent. The new techniques are reminiscent of those resorted to by the Provisional IRA in the early 70s, when attempts were made to bomb targets from a belicopter carrying home-made bombs of high explosive stuffed

into milk churns.

The most bizarre attack against Israel was foiled early yesterday after two Palestinians—one thought to be only 16 years old—attempted to cross the frontier from the hills of southern Lebanon using motorized bang-gliders equipped with explosives, guns and grenades.
The airborne mission ended in anti-climatic failure when the intregid Arab aviators were separately discovered, exhausted and valors. One was arrested and asleep. One was arrested by Israeli troops in western Galilee and the other inside south Lebanon by members of the militias headed by the renegade Major Saad Haadad. Yesterday's attempted infil-tration followed the raid last July when four Palestinians tried to cross the frontier in a

hor-air balloon. All four were killed after the balloon caught fire and crashed into the rugged south Lebanese country-Israeli security chiefs believe

Israeli security chiefs believe that the experimental methods now being employed by the Palestinians are proof of the highly effective countermeasures in operation against possible attacks from Lebanon by land or sea.

After the raid, the chief of

stati, Lieutenant-General Rafael Eitan, warned Israel that more airborne infiltration attempts could be expected. But he played down the significance of the new flying machines, pointing out that they could carry only one man and were unraliable, especially at night. Photographs of the captured handeliders showed that both hang-gliders showed that both were of the type which can be constructed from kits available on the open market. They were equipped with a small motor, which in theory should have enabled the guerrillas to return after completing their attack. As it was, the hopelessly ex-hausted Palestinians both fell asleep in houses where they

Match goes on

From Our Correspondent

of kidnap player

Madrid, March 8 One of Spain's most popular

footballer players was still missing as his team took the field for a crucial game here

today, in spite of the fact that officials of the Barcelona fnotball club, for which he

plays, were reported to have paid his kidnappers 100m

Barcelona's leading goal

scorer, Enrique Castro, aged

31, known as "Quini" vanished a week ago in Barcelona after

ball club admitted later that

they had received a recording

of his voice and said arrange-

ments had been made to pay

Hopes that he might be released in time to play in today's match between Atletico

de Madrid and Barcelona were

dashed when the Barcelona team took the field.

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Prisoners of

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match. Officials of the foot-

pesetas (£529,000).

the ransom.

with no sign

From Christopher Walker
Jerusalem, March 8
Palestinian guerrillas are resorting to increasingly unconventional methods of launching attacks inside Israel. Some of them have a Heath Robinson flavour despite the obvious deadly intent. was under the mistaken impression that he had crossed the frontier into Israel. A spokesman for Major Haaded later said that the Palestinian had planted a series of mines which he had carried on his glider, along with an AK47 rifle and

some grenades.

The Palestinian arrested inside Israel told the family in an Arab village, from which he sought food, that he was on a suicide mission "to take hostages or to kill Israelis". tages or to kill Israelis."

Sports-shop aircraft: The Palestinian "air force."—for that is what its propagandists have inevitably called it—consisted of just two hang-gliders, apparently bought through a sports wholesaler (Robert Fisk writes from Beirup).

from Beirut). The Iraqi-sponsored Arab Liberation Front (ALF), which has claimed responsibility for the raid, said the first glider the one which actually crossed the Israeli frontier—weighed 170lb and carried a nine horse-power engine with a speed of

37 miles an hour.
The second, which failed to reach Israel was a larger machine with a 15-horsepower

machine with a 15-horsepower engine, a speed of 55 miles an hour and a weight of 190lb.

The ALF said that both gliders were loaded with an automatic rifle, a rocket-firing device, 210 grenades and a number of explosive charges. They gave the names of the two guerrillas as Jumaa Khalaf, aged 26, and Abdul Halim Hafez. It 26, and Abdul Halim Hafez. It made no reference to a "Turk being involved in the raid, but Mr Hafez's birthplace was given as Aleppo, the northern Syrian city which is only 35 miles from the Turkish frontier.

The hang-gliding mission was named after Ghassan Kafi, the Palestinian who died when the hot air balloon in which he was attempting to fly into

Although the hang-gliding method of aerial attack is a novel tactic for the Palestinians, there are in fact many Palestin ians in the more orthodox Arab air forces. The pilot who died when his Syrian MiG 21 jet was shot down over the Bekaa valley in Lebanon last month by in Lebanon last month by Israeli jet fighters turned out to be a Palestinian. His photograph, name and details of his birth have been printed on posters and plastered around the bazaar in Damascus.

Jews blamed for Poland's

ills at Warsaw rally

Warsaw, March 8.—Between 1,000 and 1,500 people gathered

here today in a nationalist, antisemitic demonstration to

coincide with the anniversary of

the student riots of March, 1968.

In another demonstration, a similar number of students and teachers met at Warsaw Uni-

versity to commemorate the riots and the students' demands in 1968 for more democracy and a freer press. At the time the Polish press blamed the

riots on "Zionists".

A previously unknown group,
the Grunwald Parriatir Union

named after the Polish victory

in 1410 at Grunwald (Tannen-

berg) over the Teutonic Knights—organized the nation-alist demonstration. Although officially in memory of the vic-tims of Stalinism, it was mani-

festly directly against today's

new organization includes mem-bers of a Warsaw group of communist intellectuals, Wars-

zawa 80; militants of a veterans' association; former members of the wartime non-communist Home Army; and

Roman Catholics linked with

Bogdan Poreba, a film director, argued that the main hangmen

during the Stalinist period in

Poland were Jews, and that this justified the 1968 "anti-Zionisr" campaign during which

thousands of Polish Jews were

forced to emigrate.
To loud applause, speakers

declared that the Solidarity free

Speakers, who included Mr

Informed sources said the

student demonstration.

the Government.

# politicians detained in **Pakistan**

From Hasan Akhtar Islamabad, March 8

A large number of arrests of opposition politicians, including Begum Nusrat Bhutto, widow of Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, the executed Prime Minister, have been reported from different cities in Pakistan in the past

24 hours.

A senior government official today claimed that the arrests had no connexion with the hijacking nearly a week ago of a Pakistani airliner to Kanada a three hijackers are still where three hijackers are still and the senior to the

a Pakistani airliner to Kabui where three hijackers are still holding 112 passengers and crew as hostages.

[Party sources said that Mr Bhutto's daughter, Miss Benazir Bhutto, had been arrested at the home of Begum Ashraf Abbasi, the former Deputy Soeaker of the National Assembly, who was also detained bly, who was also detained, Reuter reports from Islamabad.] has been no official statement on the reported arrests; but political sources estimate that their number may be more than

Labore were Mr Mazhar Ali Khan, editor of the English lan-guage weekly, Viewpoint, and his two editorial assistants, Dr Mubashar Hasan, Mr Bhutto's Finance Minister and a former secretary-general of the Pakis-tan People's Party. Mr Rao Rashid, a former Bhutto aide, and Mr Shoaib Hashmi, son-inlaw of Mr Faiz Ahmad Faiz, a well-known Pakistani poet and Lenin peace prize winner. Most of those arrested are described as leftists and belong

to the Pakistan People's Party (which has been disbanded under martial law) The arrests come after a number of other detentions since the beginning of the

year.

Mrs Bhutto, as president of the People's Party founded by her husband, last mouth formed with eight other parties an alliance called Movement for Restoration of Democracy which demanded an end to marking law rule and senergy martial law rule and general elections in three months. Ironically, General Zia ul-

Haq, Pakistan's military ruler, is forming a new Cabinet to-morrow with larger civilian representation. General Zia considers the reconstitution of his Cabinet as a step towards associating men of integrity and Islamic thinking with his Gov-

trade union movement must be Polish only and suggested that the dissident group KOR was Zionist and anti-Polish.

Mr Jacek Kuron, the KOR

Mr Jacek Kuron, the KUR leader, who was detained by police last week and warned that he faced possible charges of slandering the nation, addressed the students in a packed auditorium at Warsaw Univer-

He said there had been many

Jews in the party apparatus in the early years after the war but the notion of equating Jews

with the Stalinist terror was just an expedient for ascribing

He said the main difference

between all previous popular protests in Poland and last

summer's labour revolt was that

the events of 1980 created grass-

But he warned his audience

Mr Lech Walesa, leader of

the Solidarity union aunounced today that he is to meet Gen-eral Wojciech Jaruzelski, the

Prime Minister, tomorrow. He

issued a seven-point list of

Moscow warning: In a clear warning to Poland's indepen-

dent trade union leaders, the

Soviet party newspaper, Pravda

today quoted Lenin as saying

that trade unions should accept the supremacy of the Com-

munist Party.-Agence France-

issues they would discuss.

Poland and he advised

obliquely that a threat of Soviet

military intervention still hung

moderation.

roots democratic institutions.

disasters to alien forces.

bership of the revolutionary guards, security Komitehs and other organizations controlled the country's hardline

Many of the cards were shown by the President to the

to arrest the troublemakers. Hojetoleslam Khalkhali said

former American hostages,
Another recognized ally of
the President, Hojatoleslam
Muhammad Hojati Kermani,
accused the President today of

and there is photographic evi-dence of him receiving sensitive

apparently made at this time

because a Spanish double agent

who dealt with him was at the

point of being discovered by the Soviet intelligence services.

said here today that there may

be new developments in the near future with regard to "the complex of Soviet firms in

Back on duty: About 80 of the

estimated 200 civil guards who

held Spain's parllament at gun-

point as part of an attempted

coup last month returned to

their homes and regular duties

this weekend, according to a

Spanish news agency and the Madrid daily El Pais.

of the conditions which the

authorities were reported to have agreed with Lieutenant-Colonel Antonio Tejero, who led the takeover of Parliament,

when he surrendered-that the

civil guards and NCOs would

This appears to reflect one

Spain,

The monarchist daily ABC

you and your country will be zation had occupied the gover-destroyed." zor's office in Labijan, on the The last two days have been Caspian coast, and declared the dominated by a cascade of city independent (Possesses)

statements over the issue, ports from Tehran).

mostly against the President.

Demonstrations have been reported in many places; including fundamentalist Islamic Rereported a tense atmosphere following failed attempts by fundamentalists to force the bazaar to close.

The Interior Ministry issued an order declaring further demonstrations illegal. "Any-one engaged in such will be

zone to supervise the war effort. The country's religious leader, Ayatollah Khomeini, has refused any further meetings for a week.

Although no great lover of the President or the growing coalition of radical and nationalist groups that are surrounding him the avatollah has refused to join in the condem-nation of the country's highest elected official.

Speaker's claim: The Speaker of the Iranian Parliament alleged today that supporters of the radical Mujahledien organi-

ing Qom, where newspapers publican Party, told Parliament: "Dirty groups that are fed from the Soviet Union have declared their independence, occupied the Governor's office and closed the schools of the city." Iraqi attack: Iraqi ground and

one engaged in such will be one engaged in such will be considered an enemy of Islam the second day against training and the Islamic nation," it said, targets after train's rejection of peace proposals by Islamic nations (AP reports from Nicosia)

An Iraqi war communique broadcast by Baghdad radio indicated that fierce fighting was continuing along the battlefronts. New peace move: A leading

Palestinian representative will visit Tehran and Baghdad in the next few days for follow-up talks on Islamic attempts to end the war, according to Pales-tinian sources today (Reuter reports from Beirut).
His visits would precede a
new series of visits to Iran and

Iraq by an Islamic mediation committee.

# In brief

#### American shot dead in Bogota

Bogotä. March S.—Colombi Trotskvist guerrillas have at dead Mr Chester Allen Bittman, an American. aged who worked for the Summ Institute of Linquisnes. a ciroversial United States rigious organization.

His bady was found in hijacked bus wrapped in rillag of the M19 (Movement April 19) guerrilla group. was kidnapped here on Janua 19 by hooded gunmen. w

19 by hooded gunmen. we demanded the closure of

#### Britons killed

Cavaillon, southern Fram holiday and a Frenchman we killed when two cars crash near here yesterday, police sa The Britons were named as? Michael Frostick, aged 63, as his wife Denise, of Hawring Close, Chichester, Sussex,

#### 41 held in Jerusalem

Jerusalem, Marcyh S .- Afr one of the worst clash between ultra-orthodox Je-and Israeli police, a total of. of Jerusalem's religious zeal; are under arrest, includi Rabbi Url Blau, spiritual lead of the extreme Netural Kar

#### Conductor dies

Amsterdam, March 8,--Ki Kondrashin, Soviet-born condi-tor of the Amsterdam Conce gebouw orchestra, died he last night after a heart atta-at the age of 67, an official the orchestra said.

#### Arab bank to reopen

Tel Aviv. March 8.—The mi tary Government in Gaza toda withdrew its objections to r opening the Palestine Bar under its original name. Th Arabowned bank ceased tra-ing after the Six-Day War i 1967 when its asets were frozen

#### Women arrested

Moscow, March S.—Polic pressed 11 women Pentacosu lists, members of a Protestar religious sette, as they demon strated outside the Lenin Li rary in central Moscow todayfor the right to emigrate to th

#### Argentines released

Buenos Aires, March 8 .- S Argentine human rights can paigners arrested last week o charges of violating nation. security laws have been free by a federal judge.

## President Bani-Sadr wearing a garland of flowers presented to him by his followers after the rally in Tehran on Thursday. Khalkhali call to try President for treason

From Tony Allaway
Tehran, March 8
Iran's notorious former
religious judge, Hojatoleslam
Sadeq Khalkhali, today publicly demanded the trial of
President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr for treason following a violent political rally in Tehran on Thursday.

Amid a national furore over the violence, mainly directed against the President, even one of Mr Bani-Sadr's own clerical

supporters accused him of "Megalomania".
Speaking in Parliament this morning, Hojatoleslam Khalkhali declared: "There is no doubt in my mind that the President himself has committed treason against the mitted treason against the constitution and therefore he must be put on trial."

At one point in his speech the holatoleslam, who resigned as a religious judge after allega-tions of ordering indiscriminate executions and torture, tore up a copy of the newspaper Islamic Revolution, which supports the President.

The copy in question had printed pictures of identity indulging in a "childish game" that only served to weaken his fundamentalists arrested last Thursday, often after a severe beating from supporters of the President, showing their mem-

From Harry Debelius Madrid, March 8

A Soviet diplomat made a

hasty departure for Moscow this weekend after the Spanish Government denounced him as

a spy and gave him 24 hours to get out of the country. Mr Vladinur Illich Efremen-

seventh diplomat or Soviet

expelled from Spain for espion-

age activities since diplomatic

relations between Madrid and

His departure was preceded few weeks ago by that of

another Soviet spy who left

hurriedly, but voluntarily, when his cover was blown, informed

sources said. He was Mr Yuri Goloviatenko, a correspondent

for the Soviet news agency

The expulsion of Mr Efremenrov was decided here last Friday at the first Cabinet

meeting of the new Government headed by Senor Leopoldo

Caivo Sotelo.

Diplomatic sources indicated

that he tried to buy military

secrets from a Spanish double agent. He had contact with an

extremist organization, the Movement for the Autonomy

and Independence of the Canary Islands, and he gathered confi-

dential information on Spanish

were resumed

government employee to

Moscow

Novosti.

Leading article, page 13 | politicians and political parties.

February, 1977.

rov, a vice-consul at the dence of him embassy in Madrid, was the information.

Russian diplomat expelled

from Spain for spying

mustim factions.

huge crowd that had come to hear him speak at a raily to honour the memory of the late nationalist Prime Minister, Muhammad Mossadeq, Violence broke out after the President lost patience with the failure of the police to eject a crowd of disrupters and asked the public

today that by this act the President had shown himself to be quilty of "despotism...giring the order, being the judge, witness and so on." Although the feeling has never been reciprocated, the hojatoleslam has in the past been considered a supporter of the President, especially over the issue of the

# Former Premier

Informed sources said the level and scope of his activities suggest that he is a high-level agent of the KGB, possibly the most important Soviet spy yet discovered in Spain. His clandestine work has been under surveillance for some time past and there is photographic evi-Bridgetown, March &—Miss Eugenia Charles, Prime Minister of Dominica, Eugenia

Denuis Joseph, former Director of Broadcasting and Intorma-The decision to expel him was

Miss Charles said they would all be tried for planning a coup that she said was to have taken place on March 14. "I would hope that death would be the

She declared a state of emergency on February 13 after a band of Rastafarians kidnapped Mr Edward Honey-

He is still being held by members of the religious cult.

## of Dominica on coup plot charge

Minister of Dominica, announced yesterday she had ordered the arrests of Mr Patrick John, the former Premier, and Major Frederick Newton, the Defence Force Commander for planting Commander, for plotting a

Barbados.

penalty; but I can't say that for sure", she added.

church, a farmer whose son, Lennox, is the chief govern-

# Japanese to breed wild

Others arrested included Mr uon, and Corporal Howell Piper, the Prime Minister said in a broadcast monitored in

ment spokesman.

#### animals for the hunters From Peter Hazelhurst

Toyko, March 8

A club of more than 400,000 Japanese hunters plans to breed wild animals and birds in large numbers at special farms for the purpose of hunting, because the country's game population has been seriously depleted in recent years.

Dainippon Association, one of the biggest clubs of its kind in Japan, has ennounced it will open its first experimental breeding farm on five bectares of land near Tokyo.

Club officials say they decided to breed wild game because the number of birds shot by the association's 400,000 members dropped by 1,576,000 to 7,426,000 in 1978. In the same year the number of bears, weasels and other wild animals killed by hunters fell by 196,000 to 779,000.

The association hopes start with artificial breeding of 10,000 pheasants, 100 weasels and other small animals. The experimental station will also

import 100 Hungarian per tridges from the United States "We plan to breed then until the population swells. The birds and animals will be released in reserved hunting rounds in Yamanashi preference.

ture", an official said. But the champions of willife protection are up in arm Hunters are going too fi when they begin to bree animals with the purpose shooting them down later for amusement". Mr Missayos Kimura, a supporter of the Japan Animal Welfare Societ

The issue of wildlife consevation has become such sensitive subject recently time the entire Cabinet decided turo down an invitation participate in the Imperi.

Household's traditional annu-duck-hunt this year. A recent public outcry als forced the Government to dro a plan to destroy thousands ( protected pigeons, which has settled in the eaves and rafter of the famous Sesoji temple: Asakusa, in Tokyo.

## Zimbabwe gives warning to whites after brawl

From Stephen Taylor ..... Salisbury, March 8 The Zimbabwe Government

yesterday issued a warning to whites who, it said had failed to adjust to the new circumstances in the country. This came after an incident in which a multiracial group of delegates to an education confer-

ence were harassed and chased from a Salisbury nightclub. The group attempted to leave Samantha's ", a popular nightspot, after they were jostled and threatened by a gang of whites believed to be soldiers and airmen. Two delegates, an Australian and a Botswanian, were beaten up outside and

stones were hurled at the others as they fled.
Dr Nathan Shamuyarira,
Minister of Information and Tourism, yesterday deplored the harassment of "distinguished guests". He said: "The Government will soon take stern measures to stamp out organized groups of white thugs and hooligans who are responsible for numerous assaults and unruly behaviour at horels, nightclubs and restaurants in Salisbury and

Bulawayo. ilawayo. "Whites who think they are "Uliving in Rhodesia will still living in Rhodesia will soon find their way into Zim-

#### **Butter deal is** held up by Italian objection

From Our Own Corresponder Brussels, March 8 New arrangements for the export of New Zealand butte

to Britain, as well as othe agricultural measures agreed i principle by the EEC las month, still have not been pu into effect because of contir uing Italian opposition. Italy's difficulty concerns th

size of the sugar production quota it has been allotted under the new EEC sugaregime, which also forms par of the package of measures Everything else in the package has been agreed by the Italians

# El Salvador killings described

Continued from page 1
and most have dysentery. Some
are naked and all are filthy
from the foul smelling dust
everywhere. Thin dogs scurry
in packs and poultry peck for
food. A girl aged 13 breast-fed
ber 40-day-old baby.
Women have stories of how
their husbands were shot by

Women have stories of how their husbands were shot by death squads or the Army.

"Ten days ago the Army came and took us from our bouses," a thin young women in a black dress said. (Nobody on either side will give his or her name through fear of reprisal.)

"They rook my husband and shot him in front of me and the children. They thought he was helving the guerrillas." was helping the guerrilias."
Other tales are worse, "They killed my daughter", said a woman in a flower print dress and a pink mon cap. " She was down grinding corn for cor-



tillas. They just killed her for

needed doctors; medical treat ment is given by students. They needed tents to shelter the refugees when the rains come Next morning, on a return visit, we arrived at about the same time as the Salvadorean Air Force. Three fighter air-

camp, dropping bombs and strating the undergrowth about three miles away. The difficulty the Army face is that even when they do clear guerrillas from a town, they have to garrison it or the

craft circled the hills round the

leftists return. Shortage of manpower does not allow every town to be defended. So the war obbs and flows, with neither side able to

#### Angry mood for sea law meeting By Marcel Berlins for the convention to come into inhibit them from investing in

Presse, Reuter and UPI.

Korea: Kim Tong Son

By Caroline Moorehead
After the assassination of
President Park Chung Hee in
the autumn of 1979 tight restrictions were imposed on newspapers and broadcasting. The severest, Martial Law Regulation No 10, involved the submission of all news reports to the military censors.
The Journalists' Association

of Korea protested to the military authorities that this form of censorship was being used to manipulate public opinion. They threatened to stop submitting articles for inspection and full martial law was declared.

Kim Tong Son, aged 37, editor of the journal of the Journal of the Journalists Association, was arrested and charged with "unauthorised publishing of printed material ".

At a court martial on August 2. 1980, be was sentenced to three years imprisonment. A fellow member of the lournalists Association was given a one-year sentence.



The latest session of the Law of the Sea Conference starts in New York today in an atmosphere of confusion and anger, resulting from a decision by the Reagan Administration to review several important agreements negotiated over the past

seven years of talks. It was boped that the New York session would be the last; and that a law of the sea Convention would be formally signed later this year or in early 1982. Although some hard bargaining was expected on the few remaining issues, most of the 140 or so countries partici-pating in the talks were optipating in the talks were opti-mistic that the end was in

Last week, however, a statement from the State Department referred to serious problems" on the deep-sea proteins on the deep-sea mining provisions of the draft convention, and made it clear that the negotiations were not to be brought to finality until the new Administration had reviewed its policy on deep-seamining.

There is no chance that the negotiations can be completed at the New York session; but the effects may be even more It is possible that the Reagan

Administration's approach could

There has been predictably

States delegation to the Law of the Sea Conference under the Carter Administration, Mr Elliot Richardson, who is now authority would be set up to a government adviser, gave a control, liceuse and supervise warning of the consequences of the mining and to ensure that

He said that the 320-clause convention was a delicate balance of compromises. "Any-one who thinks that all we have to do is take a barder line to get a better result is unaware of the history of these negotiations", he said. He feared that other important aspects of the treaty would be jeopardized if the United States hardened its demands on deep-sea mining. Mr Richardson pointed out that since 1977, only 15 of the 130 revisions to various drafts

the treaty, were unfavourable to the United States. The Reagan Administration's hard line has come about in response to pressure from United States mining interests, which have been complaining Administration's approach could united States mining interests, scupper the talks altogether, so which have been complaining destroying hard-won agreements that the arrangements laid on a wide range of maritime down in the text of the draft topics, and making it impossible convention would seriously

of the deep-sea mining part of

deep-sea mining.

The convention envisages a strong reaction from Third complicated system in which World countries, and from the the mining for manganese Strong reaction from Third complicated system in which World countries, and from the Soviet Union. Tass said that the new American position proved Washington's unreliability as a partner in international negomining consortiums from Westindustrialized countries, Even the head of the United partly for their own profit, but

> the developing world got its fair share of revenue from it. The mining consortiums feel, however, that the system is weighted against them. They alone have the technology alone have the technology mine on the ocean floor, but fear that the arrangements under the convention would severely limit their ability to make profits, and make them

An international sea-bed

make profits, and make them vulnerable to political decisions by the new authority. The United States and West The United States and West Germany have already passed laws allowing the mining companies to begin operations pending the coming into force of the Law of the Sea Convention, and similar legislation is going through Parliament at Weetminster.

Westminster These logislative moves have already been the subject of considerable criticism by the Group of 77, representing Third World

#### US 'realism' heartens South Africans From Nicholas Ashford

not be prosecuted.

Johanneshurg, March 8
The South African Government appears to have shrugged off Friday night's United Nations General Assembly vote for comprehensive sanctions against it.

against it.

Sources in Pretoria are convinced that the western powers, having abstained on Friday, will use their veto if a sanctions resolution is put before the Security Council next month. The unyielding line adopted by South Africa at the confer-

ence on Namibia in Geneva last January was largely based on the belief that the five western members of the contact group (Britain, the United States; France, West Germany and Canada) wanted to avoid a commitment to sauctions at almost any cost.
South African officials now

believe this view has been confirmed. The South Africans are generally satisfied with the events of last week.

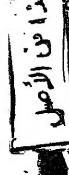
They have also been heart-ened by the "realistic" posi-tion adopted by President Reagan towards South Africa in a television interview last week. That interview also strengthened South African hopes that American policy will be more sympathetic than it was under President Carter.



The camp is run by the Green Cross, a local charitable organization. The secretary arrived on a white horse carrying a broad white flag with a green cross on it. "For security", he explained.



He said that the camp was desperately short of medicine take a decisive advantage, to treat the sick children. They Eric Heffer, and Diary, page 12



# Brezhnev letter to Herr Schmidt viewed as attempt to sway Americans during Genscher visit

From Patricia Clouch Bonn, March 8

letter from President Rezhnev 'to Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Chancellor, has arrived in Bonn just before the start of important consultations hetween the United States and

its key European ally.

The Germans have declined to disclose its contents but it is believed to be about Mr Rrezhnev's declarations at the Soviet Party Congress and the talks involving Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the foreign Minister, which begin in Washington tomorrow.

It seems that the Soviet leader hoped to use the West Germans' much greater sensitivity towards the Soviet Upion as a lever with President Reagan's Administration.

East-West relations and arms controls, which took an im-portant place in Mr Brezhnev's recent speech, will be central issues in Mr Genscher's discussions with President Reagan, Mr Alexander Haig the Secretary of State, and other American

The Germans know their views go against the much tougher, more self-assertive public mood in America at present and that they diverge from what little is so far known of the Administration's own

Over the next two months the Germans will be trying hard to influence and moderate the new American foreign policy while it is still being shaped on these

and other matters.

With West Germany's exposed position on the East-West border, its heavy investment in detente, its strategic depen-dence on the United States and its increasingly critical left wing, much is at stake. Otto Graf Lambsdorff, the Economics Minister, is already in Washington, Herr Hans Apel, the Defence Minister, goes later this mouth. Herr Schmidt

pays a visit in May.
Herr Genscher will press
hard for restoration of the
military balance in Europe, at present tipped strongly favour of the Soviet Union by its new SS20 missiles. But he will give a strong warning seainst any attempt by the United States to aim for superiority, firmly believing that any imbalance creates insecurity.



Herr Genscher: Seeks return of the military balance.

The Germans have firmly rejected Mr Brezhnev's pro-posal of a freeze on medium range nuclear weapons Euromissiles-because it would per-petuate the East's huge advantage. But he will press for further talks on a balanced reduction of these weapons.

The impression here is that the United States is scarcely interested in negotiations until it has actually caught up with the Soviet Union. But for the Germans, whose towns and cities are threatened, it is vital that these numbers be reduced to the lowest possible level.

Herr Genscher is acting under strong domestic pressure, particularly from within Herr Schmidt's Social Democratic Party (SDP) many of whom would no longer support the deployment of new Nato Euromissiles unless accompanied by negotiations.

The Minister can expect hard

questioning about this increasing resistance to the government's defence policy and the vague mood of pacifism among the German left.

Officials say he will point to last October's election results and a recent opinion poli-which show that most people-are firmly behind the govern-ment. The protests, althoughvocal, come only from a small

minority.
Nevertheless senior Foreign
Ministry officials are so concerned about the new scepticism that they feel compelled to go about the country like

"We are not just discovering the Mediterranean" he says to the view that Italy is devising.

a new approach to the area.

Italian interest in the Mediterranean has been growing for some months as a matter of

guaranteeing Malta's security is

normally taken to be one of the most convincing proofs of Italian intentions. So are

Italian efforts in foreign

policy to remain on the best possible terms with countries

which supply a large part of Italy's energy requirements.

About 60 per cent of fuel im-

Italian imports come by sea.

Admiral Torrisi accepts the importance of the Mediterran-

ean to Italy as a fact of life and also sees it as a possible

Last

autumn's agreement

politicians convincing people how vital the policy is for West

Germany's security.

Herr Genscher (and this is where Mr Brestner's letter probably comes in) is expected to ask President Reagan to take up the Soviet leader's offer of a summit meeting. While the Americans appear inclined to teach the Soviets a lesson after Af-ghanistan the Germans are

anxious to get East-West re-lations back to normal.

Although the word detenta-is no longer heard so fre-quently here, the security of Berlin, links with East Germany, East-West cooperation and the defusing of tension are earth the derusing of tension are extremely important to Bonn.

Herr Genscher is brated for possible demands by the United States that West Germany should take part in an intervention force or a military presence in the Gulf, Mrs Margaret Therefore, and the State of the State o

garet Thatcher's declarations of willingness were greeted with wry grins and the com-ment "It is all right for her to say things like that." For the Germans it would create very difficult political

They can do a lot, they feel, to support efforts in central Europe should the United States have to intervene in a

Huge sales of arms to Saudi Finge sales of arms to Saudi Arabia, which the Government felt could be an important contribution, are in doubt because of opposition within the SDP. But West Germany will continue to provide substantial aid, trade and diplomatic support to endangered countries in the "arc of crisis" around Afghanistan, Turkey, Pakistan and the Gulf states.

Herr Genscher goes to Washington with some opti-mism. The German leaders belleve the unpredictability and amateurishoess of the Carter years are over and are delighted that President Reagan is consulting his allies and not rushing into policy decisions.

They are also pleased at the appointment of Mr Haig who, unlike many Washington politicians, understands the problems and complexities of Europe. But they have no illusions that there are fundamental differences between Washington and



M Mitterrand leaving East Germany on Thursday after visiting the former Nazi labour camp from which he escaped

M François Mitterrand, the Socialist candidate, plunged this weekend into the presidential election campaign with un-diminished vim and vigour, astonishing in a man of 64 with three unsuccessful attempts to win the presidency behind him.

He opened his offensive · President , Giscard d'Estaing in Beauvais, north of Peris, one of the many larger, towns which the Left wrested from the majority in the 1977 municipal elections. Az a public meeting, the first of 24, he will hold throughout the country between now and polling day, he pulled no punches.

He spoke for one and a half hours before an audience of 3,000 or so, most of them Socialist sympathizers, gathered in a big tent in the town centre. in a big tent in the town centre. Frequently he was interrupted by rhythmic shouts of "Mitter-rand—President". Giving a dazzling display of all the resources of his oratory, grave, ironic, poetic, even playful, candid and confidential, he writched from indignation to switched from indignation to pathos-with occasional lapses into bathos. And he con-centrated all his attacks on what

he called "the outgoing candidate \*.

munists, except indirectly when he pointed out that he was " a free man, and no one has any ties on me". No force in the world, he declared, apart from his convictions and his love for his country, would weigh on his decisions when he had the responsibility of running

On May 10, the choice would On May 10, the choice would be between the candidate of the Right, and the Socialist candidate, fie emphiasized; between a "broken line" and the Socialist Party line. "We are, and we shall be more and more in coming weeks, the left",

He took M Giscard d'Estaing to task for insisting, as he did in his television broadcast a in his television broadcast a week ago, that a victory of the Left would spell disorder for the country. "But we have disorder now, with 1,700,000 unemployed", he exclaimed. "For the outgoing candidate, disorder begins when he runs the risk of losing his job. Technocrats often speak of the need for mobility of labour. That is all I wish for him," he added to gales of laughter. laughter.

He had also heard the "out-going candidate " say he wished to bring all Frenchmen together and unite the country— "but zine. "Rarely has an elected he doesn't do so by dividing head of state", he declared, them in two, with the good one side and the bad on the other".

As Napoleon III had once said, institutions, solemnly recognized

French Presidential it. And now he was going about looking for it with a lantern, like Marshal de Soubise looking for his army.

let the bad tremble, and the good be reassured. "Before announcing his candidature, he should have submitted his record—and presented his excuses. And then he should have withdrawn from the stage on tiptoe, hoping he might

be forgotten", the Socialist leader added "Unfortunately, as his party. if he is reelected, it will spell three million unemployed for France. Speeches can create an illusion, but the reality is there. Frenchmen will refuse to perpetuate seven years of misery.
M Mitterrand also singled out for a display of righteous indignation the "President candidate's" onslaught against political parties in his article a week ago in Le Figuro magaprises. Initiative must be rewarded, he emphasized, and those who created jobs must enjoy the fruits of their efforts.

"I am proud to have been chosen by the Socialist Party to be their candidate", he continued, "and the role of the Socialist candidate is to speak for the masses of this country; and when elected, to speak for all Frenchmon and women." M Giscard d'Estaine had founded his own party, but he had lost

The Giscardian UDF party felt rather orphaned these days, M Mitterrand went on. It was trying in another place (it had a congress in Paris on Saturday) to work out how it could support its candidate, without, in deference to his express wish, appearing to act

Unemployment will clearly be the central theme of this elec-tion campaign. A week after M Giscard d'Estaing had done the same, M Mitterrand gave it much play in his speech. He outlined once again his sixpoint plan to increase the number of jobs, including re-flation of the economy, reduction in working hours, recruiting 200,000 extra civil servants, and, more surprisingly, encour-aging medium and small enter-

## opposition to be charged From Our Correspondent Valletta, March 8 Dr Guido de Marco, the deputy leader of Malta's opposi-tion Nationalist Party, is to be charged with making false public accusations against Mr Dom Mintoff, the Prime Mini-ster, and leading police officers.

Deputy chief

of Malta

The action follows a speech he made last Sunday in which he referred to a case against some journalists charged in connexion with the throwing of a bomb at a group of industrial-

The editor and a reporter of the independent Times of Malia and the editor and a reporter of the Nationalist Party newspaper. In Nazion Taghua have been accused of spreading false infor-mation and hindering police investigations.

Dr de Marco is to he charged Dr de Marco is to be charged before Dr Anton Depasquale, a magistrate, tomorrow with having in public falsely accused Mr Mintoff (as Minister for the Police); Dr Lawrence Pullicino, Police Commissioner; and Inspectors Gaetano Pace and Angelo Farrugia of "bad acts in administration of Government"

The charge alleges that his words had wrongly suggested that the arrest of the journalists was a threat against the freedom of the press and that he wrongly maintained that democracy and freedom was

also threatened.

The government Department of Information said that steps were being taken against the Tines of Malta and in Nazzjou Taghna for publishing the de Marco speech.

Last Sunday Dr de Marco, after referring to the bomb incident and its coverage in newspapers, said the police had taken the editor and reporter of in Nazzjon Taghna to police headquarters in the middle of the night. He added he could not understand why it had to be done at night. Police later arrested

editor and a reporter of the Times of Malta, he said, not because they had thrown the bomb, but because they had published what reported on them. had seen and reported on them. He emphasized that the free press would not be intimidated or destroyed by such police tactics as accessing men in the middle of the night when they could be detained by day.

This morning the Nationalist weekly, Il-Mument, carried a atotement by the Nationalist parliamentary group under a headline "Solidarity With de

Marco". The statement said the group was meeting today to study the implications of the steps taken police against Dr de Marco.

"Measures such as these will not prevent the Nationalist parliamentary group from fur-ther expressing itself on eny-thing it considers is carried out abusively and that must be explained to the public", it said. "Nothing can succeed in muzzling Nationalist Members of Parliament."

# M Mitterrand derides the 'outgoing' President

From Charles Hargrove Benuvais, March 8

Sublimely he ignored M

# Admiral says navy will assist Nato by ensuring

West Germany's defence spending is severely handicapped by inflation, world prices and fluctuating rates of exchange, according to Herr Hans Apel, the Defence Minister, who met military commanders for a three-day conference.

From Gretei Spitzer Berlin, March 8

conference. He said in Bonn yesterday that 1800 Leopard 2 tanks, 322 Tornado fighters and six multi-

purpose frigates will be provided for the forces as scheduled but orders for new arms systems will be postponed or cancelled altogethe

West Germany faces arms shortage

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or cancelled altogether.

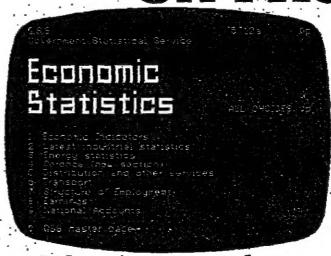
The delay or cancellations of these orders will reduce the shortfall of DM2,300m (about 489m) for defence purposes for 1982-84 to about DM1,000m.

How the defence deficit will be met is anyone's guess. Herr Hans Matthofer, the Finance Minister, yesterday repeated his

increases. The shortfall in the present five-year plan was put much higher by Herr Manfred Wor-ner, the opposition's defence

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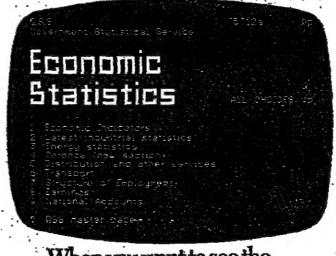
Herr Worger said there was a gap between the commitments of the Bundeswehr and the funds available for meeting them; the forces would not be in a position to fulfil their role in the alliance or to meet their refusal to solve the financial task of defending the country.



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#### Athenians still fleeing from earth tremors Athens, March 8.-Athenians refused to accept assurances from seismologists and govern-ment officials yesterday that the

over. Instead, they flocked to the countryside by the thousands.

More than 100 tremors shook the cit; during the weekend, many of them registering up to 5.7 on the Richter Scale. The strongest struck at 1.35 pm vesterday. strongest struck at 1.35 pm yes-terday and was followed, minutes later, by a 5.2 strength

More than 100,000 vehicles have left Athen; since yester-day morning. Although many families had planned to leave the capital to enjoy the Mardi Gras carnival weekend in the country, thousands of others fled in a panic.

All the tremors were centred in the Gulf of Corinth, 40 miles west of Athens where the first strong earthquake, registering 6.6.00 the Richter Scale, bit the area on February 24, killing 18 people' and causing serious

The Seismological Institute said the tremors showed a decline in number and intensity and that aftershocks will continue for several weeks, but are unlikely to cause serious damage to houses and offices.

Corsican attacks

Montpellier, France, March 8. -Corsican nationalists claimed responsibility for six bomb explosions last night that slightly injured six people and caused extensive damage to banks and an information centre bere last

Italy shoulders peacekeeping task colonies with a strongly nation be sufficient to take the navy alistic spirit and sudden wealth. outside the Mediterranean But he does not see current area: "When they ask us why

Mediterranean stays a zone of stability

the Gulf. Instead he sees a more subtle role for Italy which will give the Navy plenty to do in the Mediterranean.

There was no truth in press reperts that Naples was being considered as the logistical base for the projected rapid deployment force—"nothing so far has changed at all in the normal region of the project of the proje mal routine that we have fol-lowed for years . . the Americans have not asked, not even bilaterally, for a reinforcement of existing logistical support,

zone of conflict because of the divisions among the 300 million people who live around its

international tensions taking the form of a head-on confrontation between the Nato alliance and Russia.

we do not want to participate in the Gulf project, it is because the few ships we have we use more in the Mediterranean so

events elsewhere, such as the problem of the Gulf and the invasion of Afghanistan because the policy of the two superpowers seems now to be that of seeking weak points' where they can make themselves felt. "It is in this context, where

a conflict need not necessarily be of catastrophic proportions but remain localized, that the Mediterranean could easily be the scene of an outbreak because of its instability. Italian interests are to keep the situa-tion as stable as possible."

As part of Italy's obligations

to Nato he sees one of Italy's tasks as trying to make up for the absence of about a third of the American sixth fleet.

ports come from the Medi-terranean and 85 per cent of

ence as possible within the framework of the alliance." Apart from obligations arising from the alliance, a specific policy was necessary to attempt to keep the Mediterranean stable. "Many countries see in Italy

technology, a country which is not like a superpower which, when it arrives behaves as a bull in a china shop, but a country with no intention to dominate", the admiral says.

"It has simply this concept of penetration, to bring a certain type of culture, its technology the capacity of its

nology, the capacity of its people into a world which certainly needs these things-and above all I mean countries on the shores of the Mediter-

ranean."
The military version of this policy is to cultivate relations by visits and offers of facilities for training. About 30 per cent of the pupils at the Livorno Military Academy are foreigners, many from Mediter-

raneau countries.

The admiral feels, and he has discussed it with the Ameriand I do not see change.

"They already have more or less the support they need and it would be difficult to have more."

Italian capability would not The admiral feels, and he has discussed it with the Americans, that activities aimed at stabilizing a particular and potentially dangerous zone fit into the aims of the alliance.

#### Some, he says, belong to Nato, others are close to the Warsaw Paci while others are former

Foreign Minister defends French role in Africa

From Charles Hargrove Paris, March 8 There was a sort of end of term atmosphere about the

press gave on Friday for M. Jean François-Poncet, the Foreign Minister. He is approaching the end of his time at the Quai d'Orsay and was taking stock of his performance during his two years there, with the satisfac-tion, he said, of a mission

accomplished.

luncheon the French diplomatic

The voice of France was heard in the world, thanks to the international standing of President Giscard d'Estaing; and its recation to defend peace, uphold human rights, promote the construction, of Europe, and demonstrate French solidarity with Africa had been fulfilled, within the framework of the independence of French foreign policy. That last point was one on which he

Britain was not mentioned during the question and answer session and it showed how much things have changed since "the English affair" as it is called here, poisoned relations between the two countries, and threatened the European Committee and discourse on the change of the countries.

laid particular emphasis.

munity with disruption.

But the Foreign Minister poured a good deal of cold water on Mrs Thatcher's imitiative in favour of a multinational peace-keeping force in the

Gulf: "The issue was not raised in the course of my tails in Washington, he emphasized.

"And there is no question of extending the field of responsibility of Nato to the Gulf, or of setting up another Nato "The Gulf States bave said plainly that the defence of the

area was a matter for the State senate." Free circulation in the Strait of Hormuz was essential to world peace. France had sent naval units to the area, and that was thar. He insisted on the importance of the European initiative for peace settlement in the Middle East. This was not directed against the Camp David agree-

ment, but "parallel to it".

France insisted on Israel's right to recognition and security; and to the rights of the Palestinians to self-determination. "The two objectives

are not contradictory but complementary", he said. He drew a nice diplomatic distinction between the absence of bilateral differences between France and Libya, and the exisrence of differences between them over Chad. The standpoint of France was that expressed by the Lagos conference on Libyan intervention.

French policy in Africa was not based on multary intervention but on development, he said hotly in reply to a question on whether France had not intervened in Chad because it



a mission fulfilled.

did not have adequate forces to do so-"France means to respect

Africa, not to abandon it", he said. "France did more than respect the sovereignty of the African states, it also defended it when it was threatened." In Chad, France had been asked to

withdraw, and had done so. He denied strenuously that President Giscard d'Estaing had ever said Poland was part of the Soviet block. He had

up by the President's phrase in a recent television interview that "Poland must be allowed It was greatly to be wished that there should be neither direct intervention in Poland, nor any pressure on it from

No, there were no plans for Mr Lech Walesa, the leader of the independent trade union movement. Solidarity, to be received by the President or the Quai d'Orsay.

He said relations between the President Covernment, and the French Government and the Reagan Administration had

begun well. France was happy to see a strong and stable United States. And the United States showed that it was ready to take into consideration the views and interests of the Europeans. The independent policy of France was understood and apprecia-

Asked by a Japanese corres-pondent what the special min-isterial committee on Japanese exports was up to M François-Poncer replied that France has great consideration for Japan, for its role in the world, and its economic success.". But, he added, the concentra-tion of Japanese exports in some sectors could prove a

# Tired Ipswich deserve acclaim for salvaging replay

By Norman Fox Football Correspondent

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Football Correspondent
Nottingham Forest 3 Ipswich T 3
Whether Nortingham Forest did
marvellously well to recover from
two absurd goals or lpswich Town
deserved acciaim for salvaging a
replay after hopes of the "double"
teetered on weary legs were not
points that mattered. The cousequences of the combined effort
was a superlative sixth round Cup
tie that caught the City ground in
a spell of captivating excitement.
Ipswich had returned from their
triumphant Uefa Cup tie against
St Etienne believing that they were
the cats widskers, and justifiably.
Within 25 minutes they were two
goals up and even Bobby Robson,
who lives nine lives in every 90
minutes, permitted himself the
thought that "we have all the
accs". The goals had been given
to them. "It was a borror comic"
Brian Clough soid later when
reflecting on Anderson's chapter
of errors. Poor Anderson dislocated his shoulder in an attempt to
make amends and, asked whether
he would miss the replay tomorrow, Mr Clough grinned devilishly
and retorted "All being well".
Forest's accident came after they
had begun promisingly with
Francis like lightuling, Robertson
showing the ball to opponents and
taking it away as if auditioning for had begun promisingly with Francis like lightning, Robertson showing the bail to opponents and taking it away as if auditioning for the Magic Circle, and the youngsters in midfield tilting at their Durch counterparts. Stuart Gray, youthfully over-enthusiastic at first, smacked into the legs of Gates from behind and had his name taken. Gates suffered for the rest of the game, but there was no spare time for vindictiveness.

Anderson's first conspicuously odd mistake was to pass back to Shilton as Mariner approached in the milkely event of just such a bungle. Goalkeeper and centre-forward met and the ball continued straight over the line. As if to prove his admiration of loswich. Anderson then deflected Minkren's centre cleanly, irrevocably over Shilton's bead for an own goal of definitive simplicity.

Forest might have capitulated there and then but, propelled by Stuart Gray, Mills and Walsh, they rebounded so quickly that Osman, who usually shadowed Francis, was nuable to clear. Francis volleyed in his shot, yet Ipswich's composure after that cruciel blow was a credit to their confidence. The game's most bewitching team football came from them in the

minutes before Francis again penitioned for the lighest individual praise. Muhren might have scored at the end of one sweeping, field-length movement and soon regretted his mistake.

Francis always raised the crowd's expectation of the unusual indeed they presumed he would succeed as Butcher went across to intercept him aimost on the touchline. "I couldn't believe it "Butcher said later. "I had him, but he wasn't there". Francis ran towards a battery of photographers at the near post, sold them a dummy, pulled the ball back across the goal and Walsh knocked the ball in.

Although Mills had to be withdrawn into the right back position vacated by Anderson, Forest's midfield still governed much of a second half that was absorbing without being as compelling as the first. Only five minutes had gone when Ponte, an effective substitute on the right side, rammed a low centre that Week blocked with his arm. Robertson did not have to send Cooper the wrong way with the penalty, the goalkeeper had already chosen the other side. With nine minutes to go Forest were in a strong position, Mr Robson had shown his acceptance of the situation by taking off a defender, McCall, and asking O'Callsahan to make haste on the wing. He admitted that for the first time in three monts Ipswich had allowed opponents to take a match from them and now even if they beat every outfield player on the pitch they still had to get past Shilton, presumably without Forest's help.

Suddenly the fear lifted. Wark gave Thijssen the ball in a marked position and the Dutchman attempted a shot without much hope of satisfaction. Burns and Mills gave it more attention than it deserved and a deflection totally confused Shilton, who had to add impetus to bis dive but turned in the air to see the ball curl inside the post, Shilton could not remember so many "freak-ish" goals, all in his own net. but they made this tie one of the not extraordinary of recent years. NotTingham Forest's P. Shilton.

Not the Marketten.

Wolves must beware the

red badge of courage







Measures of success and failure: one finger points the way out for Everton's Ratcliffe; two for Walsh's victory sign, and three for Robson trophy treble chance.

By Stuart Jones
Middlesbrough I Wolverhampton I
With his shoes deep in the
Accessme Park mud, the conductor of the Newcastle Brown
Band was in trouble. In front of
a full house a puff of wind
caught his music sheet and blew
it along the touchline. After a
pause for bated breath he went
on waving his baton with the
brio of a Barbirolli. He will remember how he coped with a
potentially emberrassing moment
on his big day. Middlesbrough
may care to forget how they
failed to cope with theirs. A
psychological breeze blew away
whatever they were using for an
orchestral score and extemporization was not their forte.

Eight times they have reached
the FA Cun quarterfinels and noon when Ashcroft needed to be dominant in the air, this was it. He was punished only once, though, after eight minutes. Palmer's shot was deflected to Eves and his chip gave Gray the chance to put Wolves ahead.

For once a side could not be blamed for pumping high crosses into the area, yet it was two moves that skimmed over the water that threatened to seal it for Wolves. Platt had to make outstanding and outstretched saves from Eves and outstretched saves from Eves and Richards to keep his side in the

Armstrong missed all this. He was in the dressing-room at the time, having 18 stitches put in his left leg. Middleshrough do not seem complete without Armstrong, so it was fitting that they should equalize on his return and that he should help Cochrane, skipping through the mud and the Wolves defence, to do so. Eight times they have reached. the FA Cup quarter-finals and have yet to go farther. One man, Harold Shepherdson, has witnessed each attempt. In 1936 a newcomer to the playing staff, he watched from the beach as To play or not to play tomorrow To play or not to glay tomorray night is a question that will be left largely to Armstrong himself. Nattrass may have the decision taken out of his hands but Hodg-Burnley won on an almost un-playable frosty pitch. Forty-five

playable trosty pitch, Forty-five years later, and now assistant manager, he saw Wolverhampton Wanderers gain a replay in conditions that were just as farcical. The rain began to fall after son and Ashcroft will be there at Molineux. What is doubtful is whether Middleshrough can perform so disappointingly again.

Wolves, so successful in Cup competitions, must be favoured to reach the last four but they are The rain began to fall after half an hour, the turf became a skid-pan and the rie sild out of courrol. It was as well that the entertailment had been squeezed into the opening 30 minutes. Not all of it was intended but it is the thought that counts. Unfortunately for Middlesbrough, the thought in their minds was fear. reach the last four but they are experienced enough to know that it will not be eosy. The red badge of courage, that Armstrong were is an example of the opposition's determination.

is an example of the opposition's determination.

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Ashcroft, in particular, seemed incapable of doing anything right. Even heading, his usual strength, became next to impossible. The man he was marking was Gray and, if ever there was an after-

# Pugnacious quality of Villa will keep leaders extended

Having feasted so well on the excitement of Ipswich Town's FA-Cup draw at Nottingham, it Cup draw at Nottingham, it would have appeared impudent to mention in the same breath that within that absorbing performance there were some bints that their designs on the "double" were endangered by doubts about endurance. If there is frailty Aston Villa will find it out. Villa unobtrusively scored their seventh successive league win widle Ipswich were tackling their second streamons game in four days. What is more lossuch

four days. What is more, Ipswich now have to replay against Forest tomorrow and put off their crucial scheduled first division match against Villa which was to have been held on Wednesday. Bobby Robson, the Ipswich meaager, saw the danger of fatigue when asking Brian Clough whether the replay could be on Wednesday, allowing his players more time to recover. Naturally, Mr Clought saw no reason to oblige, Ipswitch have one doubt in whether the replay could be on Wedgesday, allowing his players more time to recover, Naturally, Mr Clough saw no reason to oblige. Ipswich have one doubt in 5 EEGIAN: Rwdm 0. IC Brunge 2. Wintershap 1. Anderhecht 1: Lerse 2. Wintershap 1. Anderhecht 1: Lerse 2. Wintershap 1. Cornell Brunge 4. Anderhold 0. Beveren 2. Followed 4. Anderhold 0. Beveren 2. Followed Brunge 0. Severen 2. Followed Brunge 0. Severen 2. Sandard 0. Severen 2. Severen 2. Sandard 0. Severen 2. Sandard 0. Severen 2. Sandard 0. Severen 2. Severen 2. Sandard 0. Severen 2. Sandard 0. Severen 2. Sandard 0. Severen 2. Sandard 0. Severen 2. Severen 2. Sandard 0. Seve

the fitness of Gates, who has a brulsed leg, and Forest will be without Anderson who has a dislocated shoulder.

Ipswich still have a considerable advantage over Villa on goal difference, and that could be decisive. They have scored 14 in their last four games whereas Villa's victories have been less conclusive, at least judging by the scorelines. Even so, Sunderland, beaten 2—1 at Roker Park on Saturday, were impressed with the way Villa continued to press forward after taking an early

European leagues Butch: Sparia Rollerdan 2 FC Ulrichi 5: Iso Ahead Lagles Deventer 4, Willen: If Tiberg 2: Isoda Kerkrade 2, Feyenoord 2: Wageningen 0, Twente Inschede 1, NAC Breda 3 MVV Maastrich 0 PeV Eindhoven 3, Ala. 1: Escolvor Rottordan 2, NEC Nilmegen 0: Oroningen 4, PEC Zwolle 2: The Hague 0, AZ 67 Alkmaar 4.

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Hove Albion, despite a timorous performance against Norwich City last week, improved their hopes by beating Coventry City 4—1 and Leicester benefited from Arsenal's absence of luck to win 1—0. Stapleton missing several chances.

Whatever the effect on the morale of a disturbing 4—1 home defeat by Dinamo Tbilist, West Ham Umited remain unquestionably the best second division team. Their lead increased to 10 points on Saturday when they beat Newcastle United 1-0 and Notts County lost at home to Luton Town, but Eob Paisley, the Liverpool manager who was doing his homework at Upton Park before next Saturday's League Cup final, saw nothing to concern him apart from Brooking's ability to play exquisite footboll in clinging mud. Devonshire, whom he regards with respect whom he regards with respect,
was absent but is expected to
have recovered from knee and
ankle injuries in time for the
final.

cident reacted immediately, but Mr Grey remarkably saw no offence.

Both goals spelt quality with a capital Q. After an insipid first half the game sprang to life in the sixty-first minute when Francis made space for himself on the edge of the area and curied a beautiful right foot shot into the top corner. Blackburn were so short of ideas in artack that an equalizer looked improbable, but with 11 minutes left Spelght surprised us all with a half volley from 18 yards which had Burridge groping.

# Powerful was a tie on which Power left mar

Manchester City 2 Everton 2. Manchester City 2
No one expected the niceties to
overshadow unflinching commitment, nor did they. It was hard
and raw, often scrappy, as tense
as that moment in court before
sentence is pronounced, as unpredictable as a feminine response,
yet an FA Cup quarter final round
tie from the mould of the old days,
full of breathless action and susbense.

full of breathless action and suspense.

A late goal, when hope was subsiding, refocused Manchester City's sights on a place in the semi-finals in what, for them, has been a remarkable season. They deserved another chance. Like Everton, they have come to inject a lot of effort into their game and in the first half tempered it with some searching moves against the Merseysiders' right flank, usually propelled by Power which were as well fashioned as anything in the match.

Mackenzie strode away to strike Everton's bar from one of them

Mackenile strode away to strike and no doubt City felt they had done enough to be in front when Everton scored three minutes from half time. Young Caton, City's strapping central defender, and Varadi, slightly built but quick and elusive as leader of Everton's attack, were to be the central figures in both Everton's goals. figures in both Everton's goals.

This time, Varadi lured Caton our towards the right corner flag, drew on his own nimbleness to give himself a yard in which to put over a centre which O'Keefe headed on to Eastoe, unmarked and unstoppable, Manchester's riposte was immediate, lending a degrapate final flourist to a half dramatic final flourish to a half littered with stray passes and free kicks. Again the intrusion came along the left from where

McDonald crossed the bill, R

McDonald crossed the 3511, R headed it down and Gow a his shot well to guid; it McDonach.

The put still holled and but as the match resumed but an goal gave Everton the chan settle. Varadi was in the, prof nipping round Caton whe hig defender spended to it is off, it was a penalty, though big defender stemen to the activities off. It was a penalty, though was as much a cause for ar as elation, for Everton managed to miss two at C Palace only a week ago. Riva one of the cream markstage that occasion but this time like the corriging reactions in the corriging reactions. Corrigan reaching in the c direction. Everton's subject responses suggested they about to collect another first about to context another first ston scalp to add to thos Arsenal, Liverpool and South ton they have already claims the Cup this season.

They most probably would done had Varadi's shot may his swift anticipation when populated on a rish back are

pounced on a rash back pay McDonald, Still, their lead a intact until five minutes from end when MacKenrie and Re end when indexented and the carved a way through the hea Everton's defence and f. Power with a ball which he he delicately over McDonagh's n There was still time for to be sent to the dressing roce a foul on Hutchison. Battle in resumed at Maine Raid on

resumed at Maine Road on nesday, assuming both sides breath enough left.

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## The hallelujah chorus has lost even its cup glory

By Clive White Nothing kills a conversation more than when two sides are in complete agreement. When the worst two members of a second-tract defence score the goals that beat a plucky but uninspired third division side—and both managers know it—there is not a lot one can talk about other than the weather. talk about other than the weather.

Even that was a dult topic at White Bart Lane on Saturday—damp and grey, like the football. The crowd of 40,000 had properly expected more of an FA Cup quarter-final with good basic ingredients. But though the outsiders, as Brian Godfrey, their manager, said, did not let the game pass them by, they failed to reach the attacking heights achieved against Leicester City and Newcastle United.

achieved against Leicester City and Newcastle United.

Spars, whose defence repeatedly gave the ball away as though it carried an infection, won the game, if "won" is the word, by harassing the Exeter defence inneriors and overcrowding them in midfield, where the Devon team are used to a quieter life with more time to build.

It was just as well for Spure because their defence is always liable to surrender under the slightest provocation. For me it is one of the year's great mysteries one of the year's great mystories that they have conceded only six goals in 12 games, though the opposition has been meek. Young Mazzon, the tenth player to have been tried in defence this season, did, however, make an important tackle to deny Excer the lead in the first half when Delve was presented with the ball when resented Daines was 1? vards off his goal-line. Delve, like the team in general, was a fraction too slow. Warren Mitchell, the actor, making a raffle draw at half-time,

Exeter C 0

Exeter C 0

conversation of sides are to be. Sure enough, 16 min later, a Hoddle cross was all of a second-Graham Roberts—there were t Roberts on to the tar past, w Graham Roberts—there were t Roberts on "lew—had only to head to ball to score his first for Tottenham. Otherwise is not a game to dwell on for m Roberts.

Roberts.

Bond, the Exerce goalkee was gossibly still in the proof reclaiming his manhaod a low blow when a Hoddle kick rehunded off his chest Miller to tap in the second, it not been for these blank a more for the second. it not been for these blank symost of us would have given for Spurs's chances at St. I. Park in a replay. Exter we have found entouragement in way that Archibeld, the first sloud's leading 2001-scorer man to miss from say yords and a when the diffgent Crooks, it has soon half, put him through for the Sont to run lifelightened rabbit straight Bond's arms.

As it was, the staunch Essupporters were rationed to odd "Dooh" when a 30-strike sailed clearly wide another occasional rebuff for Spurs faction, whom they formed "You only sing we you're winning." Spurs had ning to sing about, and after a cheep run through to the se final stage, must surely now formed stage, must surely now formed the stage.

final stage, must surely now found out, lest the chorus "Glory, Glory Hallefolah" suits further a venorable less. Maron, S. Perrimen, O. Verle Archibeta, A. Geran, C. Jacker Crones Exerge CFF: L. Jone, G. L. J. Sparrow, H. L. John L. Robert Coherts, L. Perron, each P. Preff Rogers, A. Kellow J. Dett. M. H. Beitzer, N. Midgley, (Salt) (d.

# Celtic make hard work of

opposition, had unlimited possession, space enough for four teams
and only one goal after 76 minutes. That arrived after 25 minutes and was worth the walt.
Provan did the early grafting.
McGrain took over and Provan
came in again to slip the ball to
Conroy who beat Kelly from
close in.

# eliminating part-timers

By Iain Mackeozie

Celtic 2

East Stirling 0

A rainbow arced down the middle of Celtic Park, "Paradise" as the green half of Glasgow calls it, during the first half of this Scothish Cun lifth round the East Stirlingshire, in the last eight for only the third time in their history, hoped that in their tentenary season there might be something for them at the end of the arc.

For the part-timers from Falkirk, lighting to avoid relegation to the lowest league, there was only honour in defeat against a Celtic side whith, yesterday excepted, is gradually returning to something like the form of the great days of late 60s and erally 70s. They were only 1—0 behind at the interval but the difference in class was almost embarrassing.

Otherwise the crowd of just under 20,000 watched in growing frustration as Celtic, capable of scoring half a dozen against such linexperienced, almost immature opposition, had undimited possession, space enough for four teams and only one poal after 70 min-

close in.
It was rather like watching
Scotland play Zaire or Iran.
Celtic moved at threequarter pace and the approach work was laboriously overdone and at times almost listless. A packed defence, sometimes comprising 11 men, survived 12 corners and as many near misses before the second goal arrived 18 minutes from

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Corenbagen. Courningers Memoritating Tion! Let be count of the memoritating the count of the co HOCKEY: Inter-Services champ

#### QPR wait on artificial pitch By Norman Fox

Queen's Park Rangers may know the end of the month whether the Football League will allow them to become the first to instal an artificial pitch. The League's Management Committee met yesterday to bear the Rangers' chairman, Jim Gregory, request that permission be given but no firm decision was taken.

Graham Kelly, the League's secretary, said the matter would be considered in the next few weeks. The Management Committee would recognifications of the secretary to the secretary that the secreta

tee would probably have to recommend a new rule permitting artificial pitches which would then go to the annual meeting for verification, Rangers claim that 15 or 20 other clubs are interested, but recently the League chairmen said there was insufficient evidence of support

of support.

The attempt by Rangers to hurry the League into a decision came as a result of frustration over the Loftus Road nitch under the l which there are springs that have always caused problems. This particular pitch is notoriously difficult to maintain, but by and large grass pitches now remain

in better condition than in the

In better condition than in the past.

Development of different seeds and better drainage have brought improvements. Suggestions that the widespread-use of artificial turf in the United States has proved a great success are not convincing. Most in the North American Soccer League are still grass and British players who have appeared on their artificial surfaces have mixed feelings.

Although there are obvious advantages for the clubs who could use hard wearing synthetic surfaces as often as they wished and rent them out for other events, the benefits for the game itself and the health of the players is questionable. Although some talented ball players like the true surface, others claim that it restricts natural movement and causes strains and hurns.

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Leading goalscorers

#### Bailey's achievement By David Powell Charling Atheltic 1 Barnsley 1 With Charlton Athletic's finan-

Vitil Chariton Atmends innan-cial resources carmarked for the development of young players and the construction of England's first all-seater football studium, Mike Baltey, the club's manager. is nearing the completion of an unusual achievement: Charlton remain clear leaders of the third division even though Mr Bailey has not vet paid out any money in transfer fees to strengthen his staff.

Apart from Naylor, who arrived at the Valley on a free transfer, Charlton have rehed on much the same players as the ones who were relegated from the Second Division last season. By way of contrast, Barnsley included two players on Saturday for whom they recently paid a local of £115,000 to intensify their promotion challenge. Barnwelough. of £115,000 to intensify their pro-motion challenge. Barrowclough, back at the club where he started his professional career, looked menacing enough to suggest that Norman Hunter, Barnsley's man-ager, bought wisely and McHale, signed in midweek from Brighton, would have scored had it not been for the goalkeeping of Johns.

Certainly both teams appeared worthy of promotion but flunter's tactical expertise and judgment may yet need to pass a stiff examination if Barnsley are to join Charlton in a higher grade next season. While Mr Balley's team is unlikely to need major surgery for the closing programmia, the former Leeds United player will need to consider accommodating

both Lester and Camphell, who were under suspension of Saturday.

There is also the possibility that Glavin, Barnsley's leading scorer with 16 goals, may sign for Leicester City before Thursday's transfer deadling and he was sufficiently impressive at the Valley to demonstrate how hard he would be to replace.

be to replace.

Charitim were notably less retiable in midfield without Tydeman, their skipper, who was sent
off a week earlier at Colchester, and the visting team created chances enough to have won. McHale's long-range shouting was admirable but he found Johns in admirable but he found Johns in top form and the Charlton goal-keeper was also responsible for denying Clavin a goal. At the other end Robinson and Hales should have scored but it was as well they did not because Barnsley deserved at least a point. ley deserved at least a point.

Walsh was blamed by Mr Bailey for the 20th minute goal that gave Barnsley the lead, the England Youth team player having failed to take his place in the defensive wall, allowing Banks to drive in a goal from 25 yards. But Walsh restored his favour with the Charlton manager by outjumping Evans, usually reliable in the air, in head the equalizer six minutes later.

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# **Encouragement for Rangers** were a trifle unlucky not to take both points. Alf Grey, the referee, must have been the most unpopular person in Shepherds Bush when he refused Rangers a penalty eight minutes from the end. Blackburn's gralkeeper, Arnold, appeared to send Flanagan trashing to the ground after the striker had pursued Langley's defence-splitting ball. The linesman nearest the incident reacted immediately, but Mr Grey remarkably saw no offence.

By Vince Wright

QP Rangers 1

Queen's Park Rangers are
mulling over-plans to install an allweather pitch at their stadium in
the summer. On the evidence of
Savurday's match against Blackweather pitch at their stadium in the summer. On the evidence of Saturday's match against Blackburn Rovers the laying of an artificial surface cannot come a moment too soon. Heavy overnight rain on Friday, followed by a downpour a few hours before kickfoff, turned the notorious Loftus Road pitch into a gluey, gooey mess which sorely tried the patience of both teams.

In these conditions it was a triumply to make an accurate 15-yard pass. Rangers, to their credit, achieved this more often than Blackburn, but that will be little consolation in the wake of another dropped home point. During the past month Rangers have played Notts County. Sheffield Wednesday and Blackburn—three of the many second division promotion contenders—on their own ground and have failed to beat any of them. Rangers are in contention for a first division place themselves and remain in a promising position despite these recent setbacks. They must be encouraged by the fact that, apart from West Ham United, the sides shove them look as solid as wobbling jelly. In pure footballing terms Rangers are superior to all their challengers: whether they have the durability necessary for promotion is another matter.

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matter.
The pitch was more suited to Blackburn's uncomplicated style than to Rangers's intricate game, yet sheer persistence enabled Rangers to assume control and they

prised us all with a half volley from 18 yards which had Burridge groping.

The chief honours fell to the midfield men. Francis and Currie showed the skill and vision which made them England players and for Blackburn, Kendall. the player-manager, and Brotherston proved that graft can be as important as craft. The result sets Blackburn up nicely for next Saturday's home match against the third placed club, Sheffield Wednesday.

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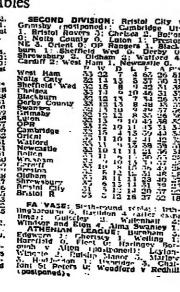
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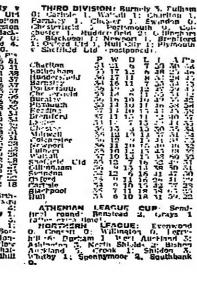


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New Encl

#### irving Wardle

fdward Muggeridge, alias fadweard Muybridge, is known to the history of photography the father of the moving picture. He it was in 1877 who are up 24 cameras with trip times on a rare track thereby vices on a race track, thereby proving that the horse does the all four feet off the ground. What Nigel Gearing seeks to show in this Foco Novo production is that no one to the state of the seeks to show in this Foco Novo production is that no one to the seeks to show in this feet of the seeks to show in this seeks to show in the seeks to seek the seeks to seeks to seek the seeks to seek the seeks to seek the seeks to seeks to seek the seeks to seeks the seeks to seek the seeks to seek the seeks the seeks to seeks the seeks t tion is that no one is so blind as the man behind the view-

Snap gives a highly selective account of Muybridge's profesjonal and private life; beginning with his departure from singston upon Inames to Calion the Gold Rush, and taking the swiftly through his days

enstalling him in a San rearcisco studio, engaging a in; midwife, a bogus British oai or, and young Flora whom <sup>∉</sup>ie marries.

7 hey strip off and go through heir turns, freezing into pools f light as Muybridge resumes nore absorbed in his work, lead wholly unaware of the redent relationship between his rejected wife and the mousinche-stroking Harry, until she inves birth to a child strikingly inceembling his male model.
Muybridge promptly seeks him but and kills him, winning a court acquittal

The play is not a career story with a bit of scandal on the

The Little Foxes Playhouse, Nottingham

Ned Chaillet Whatever else Richard Digby.
Day has done in his first season
as director of the Nortingham
Playhouse, he has certainly
changed the face of his
audience. In place of the broad
init of young couples, students and adventurous elders, the first inight audience for The Little Foxes was noticeably senior and

his choice of plays has seem-ingly encouraged serenity rather than excitement. Not that Lillian Hellman's play is unworthy in itself. It is a fine, well-crafted drama with deep emotional values. As a picture of the complex social currents of the American South it has few rivals. With clearly motivated and complex characmonvated and complex charac-ters it is Ibsen with magnoliss as against the Strindberg of Tennessee Williams where the decline of the former stave-owning aristocracy produces explosions of the unconcious.

Mr Day has made it a star vehicle for Jill Bennett and isbe. looking very handsome and predatory, has the presence for the part of Region, the scheming wife who plans to make herself

LPO/Rostropovich

In a season of almost total

day a large audience guthered to welcome the British première of Timbres, espace, mouvement by Henri Dutilleux, Now in his

mid-60s, Dutilleux is a kind of

French equivalent to Tippert or

Lutoslawski, a composer who has learned from his younger

colleagues, but newertheless remains wholly himself and true

to a style reaching back to the

period between the wars. In the manner of French independents his output is small, consisting of

two symphonies, recently re-corded, and fewer than a dozen

The new piece, composed in 1977, is typical of him. There is something Bouhaz-like in the

wind ensemble with cellos, basses and percussion, and also in its perpetual genewal of im-

other important works.

Festival Hall

**Paul Griffiths** 

side. Rather it is a Faustian fable, showing that the pursuit of reality is the surest way of losing it. Muybridge brings his betrayers together, and watches their naked revels, but all he sees is an objective record of the human body in motion. As he observes mournfully at the end, "perhaps the one who par-ticipates cannot photograph".

supports its main argument, and some essentials have been squeezed out. We never learn, for instance, why Muybridge needed to conduct his motion studies with nudes; nor why he abandoned photography in his last years. The dialogue, too, flounders between sententious pronouncements and idle quips ("a womb with a view-finder") without achieving a clear statement of the aesthetic which underlies the remarkable exhibition of his work else-where in the theatre. Finally, the joke piano accompanimen by one Steve, A'Dor allows the production to bedge its bets; if you lose track of the argument, you can view its hero simply as an amusing eccentric. On the whole Roland Rees's

production is much too good for such devaluation. Set (by Adrian Vaux) between matt black walls like the inside of a box camera, it excels in divided action (childbirth screams coinciding with photographic prophecies), positive/negative light changes, agile scenic transformation within a tiny space, and reverse camera work, show ing Flora arising from the dead. Oliver Ford Davies, eyes fran-tically blazing over a bushy beard, is inventively supported by Colette Hiller, Lucinda Curtis, and Jonathan Burn.

privately wealthy with her husband's money, even if it means killing him. Unfortu-nately Mr Day's production does not hold together well enough to keep her in focus.

One crucially miscast part brother, Oscar, needs more of the quality of an ageing bully than Michael Tudor Barnes can than Michael Tudor Barnes can represent, and without that nastiness the tension is sacrificed. In better moments there are reasonable contributions from Edward Harwicke, as Regina's husband, and particularly from Jane Wenham as the alcoholic wife of Oscar who uses her voice with swoops and patterns like the flight of a skylark, and such characters skylark, and such characters allow the pley to bump up and down in interest, but such adequacy is not quite enough.

At the beginning too many different versions of the southern accent intrude and the incestuous family bickering sounds more as if the arguments were being phoned in from different states. At the conclusion, when much of the impact has been rescued by impas-sioned acting, there is no trace of the South. Death and excitement have restored the rule of RADA.

palpable ideas, but it reminded paipaule ideas, but it reminded me too, particularly in its har-mony, of Berg and early Messiaen, Ravel and Martinu, while miraculously retaining a feel all its own, a curious mixture of lowering oppression and neglect of living composers by the big London orchestras, it was encouraging to find on Thurs-

Of the two short movements, the first, obsessively fixed on G sharp, is entirely successful, with its three waves of nebulous development, each more forceful than the last. I liked the worried, roorless discussion of a cor anglas theme in the in place.

breathtaking entrance of the celios at the height of a gathering storm in the wind. But the second movement is a disappointment, pretentious and then surprisingly vulgar in its rush to end with a bang. The whole work was, however, strongly urged by the London Philharmonic under Rostropovich. Next time he must return with the concerto Dutilleux wrote for him.

crystalline elegance. Dutilieux has revealed that the stimulus for this came from Van Gogh's late painting The Storry Night, although what he hears in Van Gogh is only himself.

middle, and at the end the

minds the young man of his other Lady; on Friday it was ECO/Kraemer beautifully coloured and shaped Queen Elizabeth Hall vocally and orchestrally.

Ravel's Pavane pour une Infante defunte was a sensitive bridge between this and Mr Allen's contribution to the first. Hilary Finch In 1932 a film company made a blunder that cost them 70,000 francs (the English Chamber baroque half of the evening Orchestra's imaginative programming often provides a good story). They asked Ravel to write some music for Chalianin to the control of the co three arias from Hande's chamber cantata Apollo e Dafne. The chase almost got out of hand in the central scena pin to sing in a film about Don Quixote, secretly and foolishly of Apollo's pursuit, and Mr Allen seemed uncertain about consulted four other composers quite how to treat his da capos vocally in two flanking arias as well, including Ibert, whose version they chose. They were which were sung nevertheless with poised, sustained ease, as promptly sued by Ravel. elegantly and confidently shaped as they were supported

Thomas Allen's persuasive performance on Friday made it clear that we still hear too little of Ravel's last work, the three songs of Don Quichotte à Dulcinie. Each one is based on a Sonniel or Boome descar orchestrally. When Neil Black and James Brown, oboes, took their wellon a Spanish or Basque dance:
the pulsating, horn-flecked
"Chanson romanesque" was
sung with delightfully urbane
passion, the swirling final
"Chanson à boire" was taut
of diction, tone and rhythm but
lies just a little too low for Mr
Allen to project it with quira
enough panache. deserved bow after the opening Arrival of the Queen of Sheba, they pointed another particuartful piece of programming. Not only in that work, but also in Handel's Op 3 No 4 Concerto Grosso and in Haydn's Symphony No 90, they, together with the bassoon and flute, enough manache. made the very most of every Between the two, like a fallow field, lies the Chanson opportunity to tighten, reinvigorate and freshen the orchestral texture. Their playing, as co-stars of the evening, was a

epique", a sombre prayer to Saint Michael and the Madonna, who as in Schumann's Dichterliebe, re-

New-conductor with

a new symphony The Greek conductor Spiros Argiris, who works regularly at the Cologne Opera, makes his British debut at St John's, Smith Square, on March 28 with the first public performance in Britain of Elliott Carter's first symphomy. The orchestra is the Young Musicians' Symphony Orchestra, with which Mr Argiris will also conduct Maker's fifth also conduct Mahler's fifth

Ballet gala

constant delight.

Marguerite Porter, Mikhail Messerer, Wayne Sleep, Maina Gielgud, Robert North, Doreen Wells and Adam Darius will be among the artists appearing at a gala at Sadler's Wells on March 15 in aid of the scholarship fund for the Urdang Academy of Ballet and Perform ing Arts.

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from Friday's later editions



The Sage (Yair Vardi) embraces the Chosen One (Sally Owen) in The Rite of Spring

# 'Rite' scaled down to a harsh and primitive picture

Ballet Rambert Sadler's Wells

John Percival

When you are accustomed, as When you are accustomed, as most of us are, to the great volume of orchestral sound in The Rite of Spring, it is highly disconcerting to experience Stravinsky's piano arrangement for four hands which was actually the first published to the control of the strain of the version. Consequently, my re-action to Richard Alston's new baller, first given on the opening night of Baller Rambert's night of Ballet Rambert's London season at Sadler's Wells on Friday, is somewhat mixed, and I give it in the knowledge that further performances may

swing my opinion either way. On the one hand, I see that Alston has concerned himself, Alston has concerned himself, more than any other choreographer whose Rite I have seen, with Stravinsky's subtitle "Pictures of Pagan Russia". The outcome proves unexpectedly like a contemporary description by Issaues Piviles of

ritual invocation of Russian life. It was sensible of Alston to take Bronislava Nijinska's

The outcome party destedly like a contemporary description, by Jacques Rivière, of Nijinsky's original choreography as "a biological ballet . . . the harsh struggle of growth, the panic terror from the rising of the sap, the fearful regrouping to the cells."

The bright, clear tone of the music relates it more closely to the sap, the fearful regrouping to the opening passage, some of the opening passage, some of the opening procession of the adolescent girls and Sally Owen's stubbornly determined contortions in the last solo. Yet I am left with many reservations. The dances reservations. The dances seemed, at first experience,

choreography for Noces (reputedly inspired by her numbers) for this work. The brother's Rite) as a model for his own choreography, and for Anne Guyon's costumes similarly to derive more from Gontcharova's Noces designs than from Roerich's for Rite.

There are many virtues in the choreography. I remember especially the way the four sight, once the sacrificial solo started.

A crucial weakness, at first sight, is the role of the Sage.

A crucial weakness, at first sight, is the role of the Sage, played by Yair Vardi. He looks oddly like a stray from Job, and what was presumably intended as a solemn ritual with the adolescents turns out intended as a solemn ritual with the adolescents turns out like a dirty old man sneaking a quick cuddle with each of them in turn. The idea of letting him shilly-shally until one of them in effect chooses herself as the sacrificial victim,

Anyway, we must be thankful that Diaghilev asked for a huge orchestration for Rite, since that helped bring Marie Rambert into ballet, initially to heip Nijinsky analyze the music. And we can admire Richard Alston's courage and intelligence in finding a way to

bring that musical masterpiece into the repertory of the company she founded.

The other new work on the same programme, Figures of Wind, is a real oddity. Cliff Keuter's choreography sets the four couples moving with an agreeable energy to some attractive old music, excerpts from oboe concerti and concerti from oboe concern and concern grossi by Albinoni, Torelli and

bring that musical masterpiece

Manfredini. That is all very pleasaor, innocuous but not outstanding.

Before and between the dances, they perform unintelligibly portentous gestures in stlence. Behind them is a backcloth, also conceived by Keuter, showing tall rocks like decayed teeth in a barren landscape. That changes for a while to a sort of black amoeba. Keuter's programme note tells us of "a spot where the dead pause before travelling on." It seems to me like a half-baked idea that completely fails to come that completely fails to come off, the component parts remaining as unappetizingly separate from each other as a disastrous experiment in the

The Seven Dials Mystery London Weekend

Michael Church

Some programmes start out with so much going for them that it amounts to a positive handicap. The Seven Dials Mystery came to us on the wings of lavish long-range publicity, money from Mobil Oil, a colossal gap in the schedules, a fleet of vintage cars and a galaxy of stars amid whom Sir John Gielgud and Cheryl Camp-bell would play father and daughter. And all to reanimate an obscure confection by an obscure confection by Agatha Christie: as flops went, this would surely be the big

But it was not. Apart from one minor quibble (Gielgud seemed more like Miss Camp-bell's genial old great-uncle than her father) my astonished verdict is nothing but praise. The millions around the world tions are regularly foisted will in this case get their vicariously-spent money's worth.

Tony Wharmby's direction represented an expert restora-tion job, and Pat Sandys's adaptation entirely eliminated that creeping frowstiness which time has laid on Agatha Christie's work. "Easy to write, not requiring too much plotting and planning", she apparently said of her modest pot-boiler; on television it worked like a perfectly oiled and adjusted mechanism, every moving part

In contrast to Why Didn't In contrast to why blant They Ask Evans?, whose plot ended in a cop-out, this chase was a fair one. Like all good family fun it could be enjoyed at several levels. For amateur sleuths the leads were deceptions and the start. tively scattered from the start, and by half-time there were

Blair Brown's first starring role in Hollywood does not, on the face of it, seem too promising. She is the romantic interest in a film in which the leading man turns into an ape. Yet Ken Russell's Altered



Cheryl Campbell

enough clues to suggest the identity of the villain without making anything too obviously clear. It would have taken a black belf at Cluedo to predict

the final twist.
Limping along at the bottom of the class I doggedly backed the saturnine Sir Oswald until my companion pointed out the suave Thesiger's suspicious be-haviour, but who would have thought the deadly Dials could turn out to be such an endear-ingly altruistic bunch of free-dom-loving Polish émigres and invertigative reporters? investigative reporters?

As is well known, Agatha Christie dealt in unproblematic, two-dimensional characters which she moved round the board with chuckling pleasure. The cardboard templates were here given comfortably rounded

Blair Brown inspired by the Russell touch

shape. Cheryl Campbell led the excellent cast with exactly the right blend of camped-up joki-ness: perpetually encased in cloche hats and flapper dresses, this actress has an amazing ability to turn each stereotyped part she plays into something fresh and new. The drawing rooms, streets and clubs in which the story unfolded were exquisitely in period while possessing at the same time a slightly unreal air. The direction was a Mere slightly unreal air. The direc-tion had gripping pace. Mere entertainment? Yes, and why not? There is at present no dearth of Plays for Today purporting to school us in the so-called realities of life.

Having found Bob Fosse's award-winning film All That Jazz quite suffocatingly pretentious I was not surprised to

learn from last night's South Bank Show (LWT) that it had sprung out of his quest for the meaning of life and death. But Fosse was also the creator of Cabaret and scores of other splendid entertainments: under Malaria Branche competent and Melvyn Bragg's competent questioning he and his career opened out in a fascinating way. As the footage proved, Fosse had been a marvellous dancer. For such terpsichorean tricks as jumping splits he had turned to black performers for inspira-tion, and we saw a lovely clip

cion, and we saw a lovely cinp of the Berry Brothers doing jumping splits all over the place. Fosse had a lot to say about choreographing with the camera, and about the differ-ences between stage and screen. Interesting stuff, which I shall

dancing role in the show but then was accepted for the Montreal Drama School and

She had never consciously

chord with American film-

goers, feeding their current taste for the surreal and the

Now that she has finished

went to Canada instead.

mood induced by Shaw's pre-face to Heartbreak House, at others Robert Sherwood's Idiot's Delight. Never for a moment is Gerhardie placid or

Carlyle's French Revolution has been described as history seen by lightning flashes. God's Fifth Column is history enacted by a motley of its makers pre-sented under brilliant and care-fully arranged spotlights. First on stage is Margot Tennant. Seemingly an odd choice. But she was not only a British social hallutinatory visions might feel that this film is not for a grown person to be seen in or at, but it has clearly struck a

God's Fifth Column A biography of the age: 1890-1940

Book review.

By William Gerhardie Edited with an introduction by Michael Holroyd and Robert

Skidelsky (Hodder & Stoughton, £11.95). Soon it will be sixty years since that enchanting first novel, Futility, made everyone talk about William Gerhardie How perfectly it matched its now perfectly it matched its moment. It came early in the nineteen twenties, the only hopeful decade of this century. Constance Garnett was still translating Chekhov's tales and playe Familiar's Ruscian themas plays. Futility's Russian themes were actually and artistically topical. They spanned pre and post-revolution; took us from St Petersburg to Vladivostock, and the great to Vladivostock, and the gay, sometimes comic atmosphere was not spoik by a happy ending.

This assonishing young man followed his success with a second novel, The Polyglots, with a fine study of Chekhov, with The Bad End, a short rale one still remembers. Then something went wrong. New volumes appeared. Collected editions were twice launched. The magic had gone. Arnold Bennett more than once Bennett more than once declared William Gerbardie to be a genius. Bennett's practical, professional mind generally

made him add a "but..."
Gerhardie (he added the final "e" sometime in his long ade him add a " but life) died in 1977, almost unknown to the new generation.
There were hopes of a last great
novel being discovered among
his papers, as there had been
of a Sibelius eighth symphony. of a Sibelius eighth symphony.
Instead there came to light the
present work, finished in 1942.
What is it? The tirle is no
help. Gerhardie gives various
interpretations of the meaning
of "God's fifth column".
Hovering over his biography of
the half-century from 1890 to
1940 are the Spirits of Anger,
Irony, Frustration, Pity, and
Scorn. At times one recalls the
mond induced by Shaw's pre-

leader but also the future wife of the future Prime Minister who was to lead us to war. Gerhardle's opening paragraph epitomizes his method:

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As the century emered its last decade, Margot Tennant was twenty-six, with four more years of dashing spinsterhood ahead before becoming Mrs Asquith. William II, turned thirty-one, had been sitting on the German throne for two years, in exultation, in excitement. Hitter was approaching his first birthday. Tolstoy had put sixty-two years behind him, and was faced with twenty more to uncail the angry dust in. The century was petering out in flippant gestures and mighty styls. The Empress Frederick, Alex-The Empress Frederick, Alexander III, Chekhov, John Morley, F. E. Smith, D. H. Lawrence, Bismarck, Curzon, Balfour, are quickly added. Hitter's father is contracted with Lawfather is contrasted with Lawfather is contrasted with Lawrence's mother. William Jennings Bryan, Tchaikovsky, Wilde, Zola, Seeley, Froude, Chamberlain, Kipling (and other romantic imperialists play their parts. Here are A. G. Gardiner's Prophets. Priests and Kings seen reflectively but in action.

God's Fifth Column is history, however idiosyncratic. It is on the move all the time. It rises to beights of descrip-tion: the deaths of Tolstoy, Cheknov, and Proust, three great artists who supply a theme of their own to the theme of their own to the book; the slow descent to execution of the Tsar and his family, with the Empress mending the Emperor's trousers along the way; the inexorable approach of both world wars; Lenin's train journey back to Russia, and the belaitescence of the Revolution kaleidoscope of the Revolution —all are memorable. The dash-ing of Curzon's ultimate ambi-

tion shows what he can do on a miniature scale. The book's crowning irony is its Epilogue. The new world that Gerhardie declared forty years ago was being unani-mously demanded is now farther away than ever. International and national lawlessness circle the globe. The
world's evils show no signs of
being susceptible to Beethoven
or Mozart. Far from "the
structurally admirable United
States " serving as a model to
the rest of the world, nationalism is rampant. Nobility is,
however, not to be scorned
because it is being rejected. Mr
Gerhardie's last book has not
the perfection of his first, but national and national lawlessthe perfection of his first, but it is a continuously readable, stimulating, and impressive

William Haley

#### planned to be an actress; she had visions of being a surgeon or a scientist before she dropped out of college after two years. "Like Spencer States, based on a science fictwo years. "Like Spencer Tracy thought acting wasn't a profession for a grown man, I thought it wasn't for a grown woman ", she says. work. Those unmoved by Russell's

States, based on a science iton novel by Paddy Chayevsky, has been a surprising hir in America. Miss Brown—who in her early career narrowly avoided becoming a go-go dancer in the British television programme Ready, Steady, Gol—has emerged from this latest exotic endeavour as a soughtafrer leading lady. after leading lady. The pseudo-scientific plot concerns a researcher, played by William Hurt, who im-merses himself in a tank of water for extended periods. He does so to probe altered states of consciousness and, after sitting in on a Mexican sacred mushroom ceremony, he succeeds in taking his body back sympathy for hallucinatory experiences. "I was a real child of the Sixties, a real hiphallucinatory in time to earlier forms of

pie", she explains. "I had taken a lot of drugs in drama human development. The most spectacular scene occurs when, in a temporary regression to a school. This was the first time caveman, he escapes from the I'd seen all the drugs and relitank, assaults a guard and does gious imagery in a screenplay. unspeakable things with moun-There are poetic passages and images that I found very mov-ing. The metaphysical aspect, about the nature of reality and matter, was something I had tain sheep in Boston Zoo. If it all sounds cranky in summary, imagine how hard it must be to act it with any explored in my experiences conviction. Through it all, Miss Brown is required to play the with drugs." role of an understanding wife, herself an anthropologist.
(There is a vogue in Holly.

The imagery was created by Ken Russell, the director. Miss Brown found working with him an energizing experience.
"He's very professional and very difficult", she says. "He demands a lot from people all wood for brainy women: in a film she has just finished she is an ornithologist.) In Altered States she is almost the only sane person in the screenplay. the time and he certainly gives She has her husband's children, worries about his sanity, divorces him and in the end joins him in turning into a it. You work scenes in many different ways. It's exciting to work with him. He's not capriend joins him in turning into a cious. What he does is consihuman embryo.

She does it all with aplomb. agree with him. He's a visionally helped by her having some ary, not terribly literal-minded,

and I enjoyed that.... When he was difficult it was always about work. It's only bad when it's about their egos.

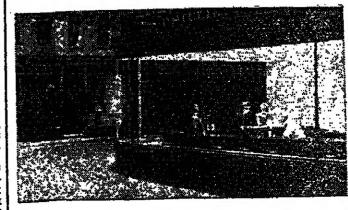
took three hours to put on the body costume and make-up and four hours after that she could neither eat nor go to the lavatory. "That's why they had to get unknowns for the part", she says. "Well-known actors wouldn't have put up with it." Though virtually unknown in Hollywood, the petite and articulate Miss Brown has ten years' experience as a stage actress, much of it in Canada, where she attended drama school in Montreal from 1967 to 1970. She has been chiefly in classical roles, although her in Washington, was the Kate Nelligan part in David Hare's Plenty. Her fliration with Ready, Steady, Go! came in 1967. She had been offered a

playing her ornishologist (in a film to be called Continental Divide), Miss Blair is temporarily not working. She is going back to Malibou to do up the neo-Gothic (1950) minicastle she shares with her boyfriend. It is not that she has lacked offers, but she has not The most demanding part of lacked offers, but she has not the role physically was turning found a part she can get to into an embryo at the end. It gips with. "There aren't any into an embryo at the end of the part of the women in good parts for women in movies at the moment", she says. "Come to think of it,

there aren't many good parts for men. I guess it's just not a good time for human beings." She is looking for a serious character role. "All those Australian movies we have here at the moment and are doing such good box-office they have strong character roles but you couldn't raise 25 cents to make a movie like that here. All the parts I've been reading are just women reacting to men and I don't want that." I most recent stage appearance, in Washington, was the Kate Nelligan part in David Hare's an apeman, everything else

Michael Leapman

# **Edward Hopper**



Arts Council

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# Lotus break through with twin chassis

Colin Chapman and his team of Lotus research engineers have once again enhanced their reputation as the supreme pioneers of new concepts in racing car

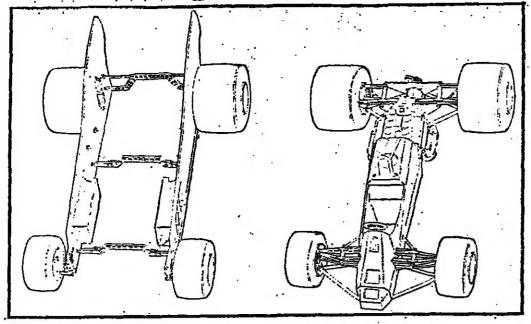
or new concepts in facing car design.

In 1962 they made all existing cars obsolete with the introduction of the monocoque chassis. In 1967 they led the way again by making the engine an integral part of the chassis. Three years ago they forged another major breakthrough in using aerodynamics to create the ground-effects car. Now they have unveiled the Grand Prix car with two separate chassis. Far fetched though it may sound, its attractions are such that others are almost certain to follow the Lotus lead. The design would seem to meet the latest formula one regulations.

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After 21 months of secret development, the first of the new cars, designated the Essex Lotus T.88, was flown out from London yesterday morning to California, where two days of testing at the Willow Springs race track are plauned for this week. If these are successful the T.88 will take its place alongside two conventional Lotus 81s in the paddock at Long Beach, where the United States Grand Prix West will open the 1981 world championship series next Sunday.

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Two into one does go: the ladder-type outer chassis of the Essex Lotus T88 (left) takes the aerodynamic strains while the inner chassis (right) insulates the driver, engine and transmission from vibrations and shocks.

The first car has been allocated to the team leader Elio de Angelis, but a second T.88 is under construction and should be ready for Sigel Mansell to use in the Brazilian Grand Prix on March 29. The dual-chassis concept is another typically ingenious Chapman solution to what he has

lated from those generated from the track. This has been achieved by rigidly attaching a one-piece outer body to a simple ladder-type chassis comprising a pair of vertical side plates made of carbon fibre and Keviar composite material, braced by three steel

spring-damper units mounted vertically alongside the wheels, provide the firm suspension required to withstand the high aerodynamic loads created by the body.

The driver's cockpit forms part of a separate inner chassis which also grades the engine transmis-

of a separate inner chassis which also carries the engine, transmission and most other mechanical units, plus the fuel cell, and this is suspended much more softly through inboard mounted coilspring damper units. The effect is rather tike that achieved by a commercial vehicle with a sprung cab, but in this case not only does it enhance driver comfort and controllability, it also insulates much of the car from the violent shocks and loads subjected to the stiffly suspended outer-chassis.

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There is an inevitable weight penalty in having two chassis instead of one, although the liberal use of lightweight and sophisticated materials in forming honey-comb-filled composite structures has done much to minimize the weight increase over a conventional single chassis. Also all car constructors effectively have been given an extra 20kg to play with following the removal of the skirt and an increase in the minimum weight limit for cars of 10kg.

The Lorus team have been going

The Lotus team have been goin through a thin period since their first ground-effects car, the Lotus 79. gave them such a decisive advantage over all their rivals in 1978. With the T.88 they now have come back and to offer the Cos DFV engine, now approaching its fifteenth season of racing, a further lease of life.

Tennis

# Mottram and a gamble restore British pride

By Rex Bellamy Tennis Correspondent

Tennis Correspondent

Take pride, this morning, in British tennis. Giving their finest performance since they beat Australia in 1978, Britain beat Italy 3—2 in the first round of the Davis Cup tie that ended at the Brighton Centre yesterday. On this last day Adriano Panarta bear Richard Lewis 6—4, 6—2, 6—4, to put Italy level, but Christopher Mottram, playing a "live" fifth rubber for the first time, defeated "The Little Soldier". Corrado Barazzutti, 6—3, 6—2, 6—2, Under the new format this puts Britain in the last eight. Their next opponents, New Zealand, have the right to play at home, but have asked that the tie be played in Britain. Subject to agreement on financial terms the tie will probably be played at Eastbourne the week after Wimbledon.

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Wimbledon.
Italy may have been too confident. They had beaten Britain eight times since the Italians were crushed at Eastbourne, just along the coast, in 1933. They had reached the final four times in five years. In terms of rankings, reputations, and experience they were obviously the stronger team. But all had reached an age at which their competitive assurance was subject to erosion—especially under the stress of having to win was subject to erosion—especially under the stress of having to win three sets in an alien environment. Britain were depending on Mottram to vin both his singles and—even more of a gamble—the ability of Lewis or the doubles team to close what seemed, on paper, to be an awful gap in class. After six hours and 58 minutes of tennis the first day ended as most of us expected it to. The sounder Mottram won 9—7, 3—6, 6—3, 6—4 against Panatta, who did not serve well enough and was forced to take too many chances. Barazz zotti then beat Lewis 6—4, 1—6, 6—8, 9—7, 6—4.

With Mark Cox's preliminary

6-3, 9-7, 6-4.

With Mark Cox's preliminary help, Lewis had raised the level of his game. A stout heart and firm nerves enabled him to stay on this previously untroden peak for so long that he even had a break point for a 5-4 lead in the fifth set. Even in defeat, he had done Britain's morale more good than Italy's. Lewis, in short, showed Britain a chink of daylight. Andrew Jarrett and Jonathan Smith pushed the door wide open

by beating Paulo Bertolucci and Panatta 6-1, 3-6, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5 in Saturday's doubles.

Jarrett and Smith, former Millfield schoolmares, had never played Davis Cup tennis before and on this year's form Paul Hutchins. Britain's team manager, was taking a chance by choosing them—particularly as Smith, recently afflicted by injuries, was wearing a rubber corset and had both ankles strapped. Smith survived a break point in a first game illuminated by flerce Italian returns—but never had another break point against him. Serving flat out for the first time since he hurt his back in December, he played a superb match.

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So did Panatta, who had only two hreak points against him and in many ways was the star of the show. The difference was that Smith had the better partner. Bertolucci was always vulnerable, especially when serving or hitting forehands.

The British pair played the match of their lives and passed a formidable test of nerve in the fifth set. Other than the match point, no shot was more important than a neat half-volley hy Jarrett when he was serving 3-all and break point down.

Yesterday Lewis was assailed by much better serving than Mottram had to face on Friday and Lewis's returns were not geared to the task. In 14 service games Panatta conceded only 12 points and was in trouble only at 1—2 and 15—40 in the third set. Panetta was the sounder and more flexible and dominated the match. The most startling incident occurred when a spectator shouted an angry demand that the ban on smoking should be enforced.

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It was much to Mottram's credit that what ould have been a long and nerve-racking last match became increasingly predictable and lasted only an hour and 57 minutes. Barazzutti had three break points in a first game that lasted for 10 minutes. Mottram had to break service three times to win that tense set—which was a critical and probably decisive test of nerves that affected the confidence of both men. Thereafter, Mottram's tactical sense and ball control seldom faltered. He continually changed the pace and pattern of the rallies, yet did so without loss of accuracy. He played o well that he made this look an easy match to win.

as a womai tees off By Peter Ryde Jany Tucker, a thire undergraduate at Oxford U sity, has been included it university's second team, theors, to play in their a match against the Cambridge mice at Southport and Air two days before the university, which begins at Food March 20.

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for Wadha

This break with tradition

This break with tradition lowed an exchange of view, tween the Oxford Divios cap Nigol Platt, and his opposite ber at Cambridge, as a rest which it was deciced to Miss Tucker, who is state-conomics, was one of grat to Cambridge for making gesture. Whether she would made the team withour it captain was not prepared to but he admitted that the gra of the request had put her stion beyond doubt.

Purists may growl and that conditions should be same for all seeking a plan the team. I might growl them if such a decision conce the university match itself, the context is quite different contests between the two se teams is a more light-he affair, played over 18 Instea 36 holes, and Cambridge we a strong position to be gent after nearly inflicting a white on Oxford last year, when won the match by 141-j.

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The general opinion seem be reflected in a remark ron Saturday by the Oxford versity captain. Foul Vickers the effect that, while in no disapproving of the selection this case, if he were asked Cambridge whether he mistriel fielding a woman for university match, he would agreeable so long as she plooff the same toes as the met Miss Tucker's college, Wadman be said to have score double first for it is also college of Susan Brown, the coulty chosen confort the Ox crew. As a sensation to Tucker's distinction may not in the same class but it is Tucker's distinction may not in the same class but it is without significance.

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Athletics

## Victory goes to Goater but | IAC challenge Moorcroft steals limelight

wind and rain of the sector title at the National cross-country championships, sponsored by Provincial Insurance, at Parliament Hill Fields, Hampstead, on Saturday. To Goater, a 28-year-old RAF officer stationed at Harrogate, went the glory of one of the biggest winning margins ever (nearly two minutes) but much of the limelight was diverted elsewhere: to David Moorcroft, Moorcroft, also 28, the Common-

where: to David Moorcroft.

Moorcroft, also 28, the Commonwealth Games 1,500 metres thampion, was left at the start when he mistook the three minute warning gun for the five minute one and lost about 100 yards before he caught the pack of more than 2,200 competitors. For the rest of the nine-mile course, he had to pick his way through the hunch, finishing an extraordinary fourth. It was a performance that earned him a place in the English party to defend the team tile in the International championships in Madrid on March 28. There, where conditions are likely to be flat and fast, the track man may come lato his own.

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Yet it was Goater's power that prevailed on Saturday, the Shaftesbury Harrier commenting afterwards: "The casiest race I have run for ages. After the first half mile all I had to do was keep going." He won in 44 min 39 sec from David Clarke of Hercules Wimbledon (46 min 34 sec).

The English team for Madric, announced after the National, is: Goater, Clarke, McLeod, Binns, Newton, Forster, Ford, Moorcroft and Rose: Nick Rose is included despite not taking part in Parlia-

American championships.

There is room in the junior team for Jonathan Richards, the 16-year-old of great promise from Camborne. Corpwail, who won the youth's race by nearly a minute. Richards had no gripes about the conditions. "This is cross-country", he said. "If it was dry and in Eritain yesterday celebrated their first victory. Cotgrave Colts, who have let in 121 goals in 15 matches in the Notts Sunday League, won 7—1 against St Anne's Wanderers, who have conceded 203 goals. "I thought we were bad but Wanderers were really shocking," the Cotgrave manager said.

# rejection

sunny, it wouldn't be cross country."

He had a good start, which was fortunate for the beginning of the race was a shambles. There were repeated rolling starts and in the end the 1,444 youths went of their own momentum with the starter's gun never being fired. A lone steward, some 50 metres up the course, tried, Canute-like, to stem the flow but the runners simply submerged him and flooded on and by like a tide along a beach. Such false starts have become all too common. of the sport.

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SENIOR (9 miles): 1, J. Goster (Shaftesburg Harriges), 44min 39-sec; 2, D. Clarke Herrices and Wimbiedon; 46:54:3, M. McLeod (Elswick), 46:58; 4, D. Moorcroft (Covenitry), 47:00; 5, S. Jones (Bristo), 17:04; 6, S. Bluss (Ringley), 47:04 Team; 1, Tipton, 164 pts; 2, Gateshrad, 293; 3, Govern-197-35; 3, Govern-197-35; 4, Govern-197-35; 4, Govern-198-36; 5, Govern-198-36; 6, Govern-198-36; 7, Govern

Not quite the worst

will contest France's top staying races, the Prix de Barbeville, Jean

# of open athletics

Last week's decision by the Anateur Athletic Association to reject "open" athletics is being challenged by the International Athletics Club on the grounds that the resolution was invalid. The IAC believe that open athletics in the best interests of the sport.

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Counsel's opision has been sought by the IAC, who doubt that the vote of 117—101 against represented the "true views of the membership of the AAA".

As a result the club suggest that there are three main reasons why the decision should not be acted.

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The primary reason, they point out, is that the clubs were asked (a) to implement the recommendations, and, if so, how; or (b) to amend the recommendations and then implement them, and, if so, how; or (c) to reject the recommendations, and, if so, why. Counsel considered that these "so called resolutions" were not in those terms capable of a yes or no vote.

no vote.

Apart from disagreeing with the wording of the resolutions, the LAC believe that several members sought to move amendments to them but the chairman "liniproperly refused to submit any such amendments to the meeting". The IAC want the AAA to convene another extraordinary meeting "at which proper resolutions in relation to the recommendations of the report and/or the concept of open athletics can be properly voted upon". The club will take the matter to the High Court if they do not have "an acceptable response" by "an acceptable response" by tomorrow evening.

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# For the record.

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Hockey MIDDLESEX CUP: Quarter-final round: Houndow 5, Southgate Adelaide 4: INTERNATIONAL MATCH: Southgal 1. England 2: Wates 1. INTERNATIONAL MATCH: RAF 4.

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Alex, 75, 70, 75.

LAUDERHILL: Losding scores; 201;

Tennis

# Show jumping ANTWERP: International show, progressive against the clock (10 lumps: 1. T. Fruhman, (Austria). Donau. 56 pts. 51.83 sees; 2. L. Alvares Corvara: 35.83 sees; 2. L. Alvares 56, 32.81; 4. J. Whittaker (GB). Miss Tina. 56, 52.95. Mixed (15 lumps: 1. Jumps: 1.

#### Lacrosse

CWMSRAM: Women's international:
Wales 4. England 15. Wales B 5.
Universities Ablotic Union 10.
NORTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE:
First division: Heaton Mersey 7. Old
Hulmelans 9: Old Stoplordians 9, Sale
8: Old Waconlans 4. Sheffield University
10. Urmston 9, Stockport 1.
David Bresley Cup: Final: Birmingham
University 6. Sheffield University 4.77.
SOUTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE:
First division: Buckhurst Hill 4. Hampstead 11; Kenton 4, Lee 9.

#### **Gymnastics**

# **Unknown Mexican forces** US doubles surrender

Paul Ramirez teamed with Jorge Lozano, aged 17, to day to defeat Marty Riessen and Sherwood Stewart 6-4, 3-6, 9-7, 0-6, 6-3 and give Mexico a 2-1 advantage over the United States in the opening round Davis Cup competition in Carisbad, California.

Ramirez the Mexican No. 1, was

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Racing

## Milbank triumphs again with Prince Melchior

From Desmond Stoneham French Racing Correspondent
Cagnes-sur-Mer. March 8
Charles Milbank, the Yorkshireborn trainer, and his accountant
owner. Nigel Lathom-Sharp, took
the £13,000 Grand Prix du Conseil
General des Alpes-Maritimes for
the second successive year with
Prince Melchior at Cagnes-sur-Mer
this afternoon. Bought as a pacemaker for last year's winner Hard
To Sing (at present lajured).
Prince Melchior beat his stable
companion, Chicbury, by three
and a half lengths with Naamiri
third. Milbank was also responsible for the fourth past the post,

The Prix de Barbeville, Jean
Prat and du Cadran.
After today's win Milbank has
now won nine races and over
190,000 in prize money at Cagnes
190,000 in French Racing Correspondent

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The ever-consistent Prince Melchior. who paid just over 3.1 for a win on the Pari-Mutual, will be aimed at group three Prix Exbury at St-Cloud on March 21. Chicbury, the winner of last May's group three Prix de L'Esperance at Longchamp on April 12. Akkad defeated La Doua by two lengths and a half in the de Tunis with Red Flash (also Milbank trained) in third place.

No go for Hughes Nearing century mark Rumours in Irish racing circles that Dessie Hughes will make a temporary comeback as a jump jockey for this season's National Hunt Festival, have been discounted by the now Kildare trainer. 'I have no intention of taking out a hence to ride for trainer. "I have no intention of taking out a licence to ride for pursuer Peter Easterby, could have nine Cheltenham representatives, depending on the going.

Newbury results 1.50° 1. Fledge (1)-1. 2. Homesop 16-1°, 5. Builtytop (2-1 rav. 21 ran. 2. Bishops Bow (13-2). 5. Dame Suc (2-2)-1. Virinjul 5-2 (2-2). 7 ran. J.O. L. Captain John (11-2); 2, Staunton (100-30 fat); 5, Williamson (13-1); 12 ran, NR' Jo Culombo, Palace Dan. Palace Dan.
200: 1. Gaye Chance (11-1): 2.
Fort Betvedore (8-1): 3. Fautoon (4-1): basy Fella 5-2 (av. 15 ran. 3.0 1, Dramatist (7-2) 2, Henry Rissander (3-1 it fav); 3, Two Swaltows (3-1 jt fav); 7 ran, 5.50: 1. Prince of Bermuda (11.2) 1. fav.; 2. Walnut Wonder (11.2) 1. fav.; 3. Walnut Wonder (11.2) 1. fav.; 5. Hudson Bay (10.1), 14 fan. 4.0: 1. Gencing Bird (5.4 fav. 2. Sun Lion (100.50) 3. Foyul Russe (01. 8 fan Nit Eksbellig.

Haydock Park 1 45. 1. Little Owl (4-5 fav. 2. Fairs King (25-1). 3. Mr Kidd (25-1). 4 ran. NR: Anaglogs Daughter. 2.15-1 Sunsel Cristo 15-1 it fave: 2. The Engineer (15-2), 5, Fair View (15-2), King or Country 5-1 it lay, 8 ran, NR: Jer, Sparkle's Choice,

Michael Dickinson's five Saturday successes from eight runners, have considerably improved his prospects of sadding 100 winners in his first season as a trainer. Dickinson, now on the 69 mark.

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2.0: 1. Kentis (11-4 fav): 2. Magte. Tipp (3-1): 5. Greenways (5-1): 9 ran. 2.30.1. Our Bars Boy revens fav.; 2. B and K Emperor (5-4); 3. Mi Dad (20-1). 3 ran. 120-11. 3 ran.

3.0' 1. Honourable Man (4-5 favt;
3. Master Melody (13-2); 3. Scort
(2-1): 5 ran

3-50' 1. Hapay Voyage (2-1): 2.
Seep Trying (12-1); 3. His Roverenr
(11-2): Prince Bai (evens fav). 15
ran. NR: Novus King. 

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3.15; 1. Go Wimey (13-8 law), 2. 3.15; 1. Frau May (7-2 fav); 2. 3.15; 1. Frau May (7-2 fav); 2. 3.15; 1. Frau May (7-2 fav); 2. 3.15; 1. 5. 3.15; 1. 5. 3.15; 3. 4. 5.15; 3.15; Link.

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# Sunset Cristo's triumph delights Dickinson

Windsor programme

2.0 THAMES HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £483: 2m 30yd)

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

With Wayward Lad and Bregawn both ending up riderless at Haydock Park on Saturday Michael Dickinson did use the returned home in the evening as he might have hoped for when he set out to cross the Pennines that morning. Yet he still had three winners at Haydock and three winners are more than those bare statistics to pur about. Ironically the horsewhor must have gleen him than those bare statistics to pur about. Ironically the horsewhor must have gleen him the expectancy was not even trained by him. For with the coming Cheltenham meeting in mind surely by far the most significant performance on Saturday was Susset Crisos is loudable effort which won him the Gensal White Steeplechase the rigours of Cheltenham meeting in mind surely by far the most significant performance on Saturday that will not war to look elsewhere to the winner of this year's Tote Gold the most significant performance on Saturday was Susset Crisos is loudable effort which won him the ground becomes awful there. Wayward Lad and Spart of the section of t

# ## Care | Comment | Commen 2.30 FINAL OPPORTUNITY HURDLE (Selling: £552: 2m 30yd) 5.U CULLEGE CHASE (Handicap: E896: 2m 40yd) 5.01 5.01 5.01 5.01 5.01 5.01 5.01 5.01 5.01 5.02 5.03 5.0

Windsor selections

Sedgefield programme



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#### Rugby Union

# Blakeway's injury casts a shadow | Guerrilla struggle goes

Rugby Correspondent England 10 There were renewed fears sterday that the departure of legisland's light head prop. Philip sureway, which so transformed renewed (cars the strummaging scene at Lansshown Road on Saturday, may
resage the end of his rugby
career. Preliminary X-rays appear
in have confirmed an initial diagthat he had ninched a nerge m have confirmed an initial diagacts that he had pinched a nerve
in the neck. But this must be set
against a background in which, in
the mid-seventies, he spent 18
months out of the game after
hraking a bone in the same area.
The national selectors, awaiting
a full medical report, will leave
his position open this morning
when they announce the team
which they hope will stop a
french grand slam at Twickenham
on Saturday week, and give England a share of the championship.
Rowever encouraging the next Jand a share of the championship. Rowever encouraging the next balletin on Blakeway may be, it seems probable that the tight head prop against France will be Austin Sheppard (Bristol), who was tapped as a replacement for Fran Cotton against Wales, or Gary Pearce (Northampton), who have throughout the championship two years ago. But the more mobile Gosforth prop, Jeffrey Bell, want also be in the running.

In There will be sympathy for an this side whose forwards lifted the season but remain pointiess falter three matches. Yet they knowled not capitalize on the clear advantage that Blakeway's absence twee them, whereas England had the westlengs to last the course

gave them, whereas England had the resillence to last the course well, to contrive two fine tries on their own account, and to achieve a victory, by a goal and a try to two dropped goals, that in all the incumstances was honourably

tarned.

It must be added, however, that Ireland in the second quarter almost certainly would have rung down the curtain on English hones it Campbell had not sliced a 35-metre penalty, or if Irwin, charging down a clearance kick by Rose, had not missed a try by the proverhial whisker as the ball stided into touth in goal.

That was not the only carly missake perpenated by England's new full back in a really testing new full back in a really testing and swirling wind that caused name problems for his opposite humber too. Yet he was soon to emerge as a hero. When England spun the ball left behind a scrummage with a misspass by Dodge to Signer, Rose on the end of his line had the pace to sweep past MacNelli's attempted tackle and

of the selectors has seldom been harder. This year's final England

trial at Loughborough Grammar School on Saturday confirmed the trend. It also brought esidence that present standards of forward play were higher than those among

the backs.

On the school pitch where Marcus Rose learned his skills not two long ago, there was, for scratch-teams, some well-developed ruck-

teams, some well-developed rucking, mauling, and lineout work. Some of the set pieces were less commendable, with instances of rugby's current evil, the deliberately collapsed scrummage. Presumably boys are not taught this and they can only be following the example of their elders. The

dealt with the offenders.

Eablind the scrummage the backs

Bebind the scrummage the backs had to contend with a greasy ball and other problems stemming from a cold, blustery cross-wind, and wet and muddy conditions. There were also some speedy and aggressive flankers on view. One way and another it was, therefore, hardly a day for handling, but even so the absence of runners with instinctive flar was noticeable. There was a lot of

By Peter Marson
Royal Navy 7
The Royal Navy became the
inter-service champions for the
15th time and won the Stewart
Wrightson Tropby for good
measure at Twickenham on Saturday, when they beat the Army by
a try and a penalty goal to a
penalty goal. The series between
these two sides, which was
officially begun in 1907, was thus
made more acute with the Army's
lead reduced to three.
The after-boon was wet and
wiedy and, of course, weather of
this kind can impose certain
restrictions on the style of play.
Both sides deserve congratulations,
therefore an these deservations

Both sides deserve congratulations, therefore, on their determination

therefore, on their determination to adopt an attacking policy, seeking advancement with the ball moving from hand to hand.

The match afforded us a teasing historical reflection with Mr Cromwell, in the manner of his illustrious namesake, presiding as Lord Protector. But conspiracies there were none, for a divided

Rugby League



Dodge, living up to his name, leaves Slattery trailing as he runs in England's second try.

period he had the vision and enterprise, when collecting a long drop-out by Campbell, to spark off the decisive score. The ball off the decisive score. The ball went smoothly via Davies and Slemen for Woodward to draw the last defender and send in Dodge for his first try in an England Jersey. Bose then kicked a simple goal. For a second time this season Campbell had cause to rue the result of a drop out. But Dodge had made amends for a knockon, not long before, that probably cost England another try when they looked to have a clear overlap.

when they looked to have a clear overlap.

From a visitor's stand-point, the try by Rose, shortly before the interval, could not have been better timed. By then, la spite of a commanding English start, a dummy and scything break by Irwin had inspired the Irish forwards, two drop goals had produced a bandy Irish lead, and Elakeway's removal had left his scrummage in disarray. Uncharacscrummage in disprray. Uncharacteristically, it was a sliced clearance by Slemen, of all people, that led to the first points, by MacNelli, from the 10 metres line. A solid Irish scrummage put

By Richard Streeton carved in midfield and moving Wells was an efficient lock. Roy, These who watch 19-group football regularly say there has been variably the prime tactic. In deal flanker, had a good match for egreat levelling of playing skills in recent years and that the task

tackling.

What began as a match between evenly balanced teams is belied. Green and Yellow become increasingly hard for spectators to follow as the different bands of unit selectors shuffled their cards. There were 10 changes at halltime, including instances of players switching sides, and some later alterations included the back divisions, each swapping jerseys with their opposite number at three-quarter time. Clearly it will not be for any lack of thoroughness if the right combination does not emerge.

not emerge.

The selectors will announce their team to meet England Colts at the Wasps Ground on March 15 (Kick-off 11 o'clock) in London

age but comprise those who have now left school, England's other 19 group internationals this winter are against Scotland (Edinburgh,

April 14); Ireland (Dublin, April 18); Wales (Bridgend, April 22); and Frence (West Hartlepool, April 25).

Navy seize initiative and Services title

private battle.

band of admirals and major-generals seated in the stand, to-gether with the Royalists on the pitch, were totally absorbed in the fortunes and fluctuations of a

Fair play prevailed and though both sides made the usual crop of mistakes, the beavy guns were un-usually shent. With the wind at

usually silent. With the wind at the Army's backs, Lovegrove was first to tee up the ball and alm for goal. But he was both short and wide before succeeding after a half-hour with a straight kick from 30 metres out after the Navy had been pulled up at a ruck.

Thereabouts, the Navy's backs

were also some speedy and aggressive flankers on view. One way April 25).

A feature of the trial was that the Yellows invertibly had the best equipped pack. If some barassed officials and proud parous, between them, correctly informed your correspondent of unselfish pession and at least there was little kicking done from the hand. But few openings were

Schoolboys make selection no easier

Campbell in business for three flaving rolled back their opponents at the start of the game. Fugland, without a specialist tight head replacement, brought on Gordon Sargent for his first cap, switched Smart to the tight head side for all but one of the remaining scrummages, and endured a long period of distress.

Nor the least pleasing feature of the English performance lay in the rounded skills of Huw Davies who revealed much sang-froid under pressure, and gave the impression that he had been playing at this level, thoroughly enjoying the ex-perience, for many moons. From Colclough at lock there was more

commitment than hitherto this season, but he is not as yet the Colclough of 1980.

The Irish selectors have made two changes for the match against Scotland at Murrayfield on Saturday week. Robbie McGrath (Wanderers) has been recoiled for his fourth cap at scrum half in place of Robbie and a new cap, ken Hooks, aged 22, of Queen's University, will take over frum Frank Quinn on the right wing. commitment than hitherto

Frank Quina on the right wing.

IRELAND: H. P. MacNeil (Dublin
University): F. P. Quina (Jid Belvedere). D. G. Irwin (Gueen's Linwerdity). S. C. Sambell (Old Belvedere).

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Ward (Garrysven'): J. C. Robble
(Greystones): P. A. Orr (Old Wesley).

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Filepairick (Wanderres). M. J. Krane
Lansdowne). B. O. Foley (Shannon): J. B. O'Driscoli (Lendon Frish).

M. P. Duggan (Rhickrock College).

J. J. Sattery (Blackrock College). ENGLAND: W. M. H. Rose (Cambridge University): J. Carleton (Urr.B): P. W. Dodge (Left-tier): L. R. Woodward (Left-tier): M. A. C. Sicheon (Liverpools): G. H. Davios (Cambridge University): S. J. Smith (Sale): C. E. Smarl (Nowment): P. J. Minteler (Left-tier): P. J. Blakeway (Cloucester): P. J. Blakeway (Cloucester): W. B. Reaument (Tythe Capitain): M. J. Collough (Angoleme): N. C. Jeavona (Moseley): J. P. Scatt (Cardiff): O. H. Cooke (Hariequins):

Referee: J-P Bonnes (France).

fong perind of distress.

For 10 minutes in the final quarter Ireland laid slege to their opponents' line, but English defence, discipline—giving away no penalties—and organization never wavered, in this period, when there were eight lineouts (six Irish throws) and seven scrummages (four Irish put-ins), England had to be grateful for a revitalized platform in the tight, the rapport between scrum half and No 8, the kicking of Smith and Slemen, and some wrong options by the Irish.

Not the least pleasing feature of

Referen: I. Brown (North Midlands)

After five minutes in the second balf, Tomlin brought the Navy alongside with three points from a simple penalty goal. Shortly, the Navy ran in their try and, born of a concerted thrust, if was no more than they deserved. Hughes, Beatson, Lane, Price and Penfold laid the foundation and, winning the

ball from a ruck, a movement to the right with Fabian in the line sent Harker away to outflank the Army's defence.

#### Welsh prove better at relaxation

By Gordon Allan

London Welsh 20 PSW 15

This match at Old Deer Park vesterday is helieved to be the first in which London Welsh have played Public School Wanderers at 15-a-side level. Many will remember their Middlesx sevens finals at Twickenham, in 1972 and 1973, both won narrowly by the Welsh. It was close yesterday 1800 closer than at one due seemed likely. The Welsh, with their forwards playing especially well, scored two goals and two tries, Wanderers three tries and a dropped goal.

It was a relaxed occasion—too relaxed sometimes if it was competitiveness you were after. Wanderers put out a team of Bar-By Gordon Allan

Wells was an efficient lock. Roy, who played both at No 8 and as a flanker, had a good march for the Greens.

Wiles and Taylor looked the more skilful of the half-back pairings. Hughes created one opening for an excellent try; Evaus on the wing was always thrustrul as a ranner and dribbler. Goodwin and Metcalfe in the later stages both ran strongly, and to good offect. Arnizen looked a natural footballer and kicker at full back. The teams that started the trial:

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B. J. Evans (John Hill Gloucester), M. J. Taylor (Cowley, captalor): A. C. Flanders (Pignouth). A. Evangelop (Queen Elgabeth, Barnot), P. G. G. Afarrison (Wellington), T. C. Welle (Ros. Worcester), J. M. Wheeler (King Edward VI, Stour bridge)

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1 John Cleveland, Hinckley, Vells (Thomas Mugnus, NowBedford), N. F. Casucton
Bedford, N. F. Casucton
Bedford, N. F. Casucton barian strength. There were four internationals in the backs and four internationals in the backs and four in forwards. But for a while they were not a team in the way the Welsh were. They knew each other socially, but that was all. As a consequence, they were 12-0 down in 12 minutes and 20-7 down in 12 minutes and 20-7 down at half-time. They came to gether a little better in the second half and scored twice. If they could have brought their wines into the game more often, instead of going in for midfield elaboration, they would probably have won.

The result did not matter. It never does in Wanderers matches. Enloyment is their traditional object. But it is worth mentioning that Ebsworth missed all his place-kicks at goal. In his usual form he might have won it off his own boot. He did, however, drop a goal and make the breek for the first of Trick's two tries. Wilson helped with both. The second was the best of the match. Wilson helped with both. The second was the best of the match. Wilson ran from his own half almost to the Welsh 12 and Trick's speed and strength did the rest.

The Welsh ries were scored by Walbyoff, Burley (two) and Ellis-Jones. George kicked two conversions. Walbyoff's nrv was a freak. George sent a penalty kick wide. sions. Walbyoff's Irv was a frenk. George sent a penalty kick wide, the ball bounced in front of Preston In his own goal area, and Walbyoff got his hand to it first. London Walbyoff, M. Williams, R. London, W. Honkin, J. George, J. Dasce, R. Thomas, rep. C. Dowi, K. Booch, R. Thomas, rep. C. Dowi, K. Booch, E. Lowis, J. Manteld, PUBLIC SCHOOL, WAMDERERS, R. Wilson, London Scottlash; D. Trick (Bath), N. Preston (Richmond), A. Worley, British, N. Preston (Richmond), A. Worley, British, R. Kenedy (London Inight), C. Maredin, N. Storier, Canada Inight, C. Maredin, Metropolitan Policei, R. Kenedy (London Inight), L. Wilkinson (Bedford), S. Boyle (Giorcester), S. Jones (Bath), N. Pomphrey (Brivish), J. Walkins (Giorcester), Roferee; E. Larcombe (London).

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#### the way of the French From Nicholas Keith Paris, March 7 Wales 13

France 19 Wales 13
France rungedly restored some pride at Parc des Princes today and are one victory away from their third grand slam with a supposedly transitional team. They beat Wales by a try and five penalties to a goal and three penalties. However, the bellicose mood of both packs dented the dignity of rugby and blackened the players' reputations as well as their bodies. It was not open players reputations as well as their bodies. It was not open warfare, as in the disgraceful England-Wales game at Twickenham last year, but a fierce guerrilla struggle which led to some unpleasant fighting and two public wardings from the referee, Alan Waleshe.

some unpleasant fighting and two public wardings from the referee. Alan Welsby.

But first the prologue. France have bitter memories of their defeat in Cardiff last year when they accused Wales of excessive aggression and, lest any Frenchman had forgotten, the old wounds were opened, even it the programme notes. In fact there were only five survivors on each side from 1980 but this did nothing to assuage the animosity.

Pity Mr Welsby in only his third international this second was Wales v France in 1978). The job of an international referee is hard and it would be invidious to blame him for the foul tempers of the players. However, tougher measures were called for than mere warnings—a dismissal or two was the order of the day—and, unfortunately, he missed some scuffles between the forwards because he was following the play too closely. These days referees need a thousand eyes and it is a stame that touch judges, though the laws allow them to do so, cannot intervene without undermining his authority.

All praise is due to Jean-Pierre Rives, the French captain, who was at his magnificent best at flank forward and rallied his team by example when they flagged early in the second half. Clive Burgess for Wales was not far behind Rives and he capped a stalwort day by preventing a certain try in the first half with a crunching tackle on Imbernon which caused the French lock to drop

ing tackle on Imbernon which caused the French lock to drop the ball as he crossed the line.

Indeed it was a glorious afternoon for loose forwards in a tight game. Joinel and Squire had a coruscating duel at No 8. However, there must be reservations about Sguire's qualities of leadership; twice in 11 months he has captained Wales in matches where rugby often has taken second place

to brawling.
The Welsh are certainly in a negative frame of mind at present.
They have convinced themselves
that the National XV has such
severe limitations that they must restrict themselves to the sort of game which spoils and destroys game which spons and usertoys
the opposition's possession is the
hope that a favourable referee
will provide opportunities for
penalty points. This artitude can
be self-defeating: Wales found
against Prance, as they had
against England, that both sides

were so intent on destruction that neither won much decent possession at scrupmage and lineout; the result was a dour, scrappy spectacle, unsatisfactory from every point of view.

At least there was some comfort for Wales behind the scrummage in a renascent Richards who scored a lovely individual try and looked generally more composed.

Wales had a wonderful start with a penalty roal in the first minute a penalty goal in the lirst minute by the improving Evans. There-after the first half relaxed into a state of chaos and contusion. France levelled through Gabernet after Wales had collapsed a scrummage near their line. The French twice took the lead through Laporte but Evans restored the balance each time and, in doing so, atoned for a personal lapse because the second of Laporte's penalties was given after the Welsh penalties was given after the Welsh full back did not release the ball when he ran imo touch.

At the start of the second half France went to sleep, or perhaps they were shellshocked. Wales worked like demons and were rewarded when Richards took a pass from Williams, his setum half, in the stand-off position and dismissed the French cover with a shrug and a felnt, Evans converted. The French had lost touch and were further chastened when

The French had lost touch and were further chastened when Messy had to replace the injured Bertranne, who was playing in his 65th international (his 49th ngainst an International Board team). Now Rives detonated a powerful counterblast and, after a furious

Rives detonated a powerful counterblast and, after a furious assault, Joinel and Berbizier sent Gahernet over from short range, Laporte, who missed the easy conversion, kucked a third penalty to give France the lead and Gahernet, a solid full back in every respect, had the final say with a penalty in injury-time after another collapsed scrummage.

This was a sweet and sour revenge for France but they may not be up to completing the grand sham at Twickenham, so often their bogey ground. England should feel confident of baving a distinct advantage at the lineout, and equality in the scrummage. The battle 14 days hence among the loose forwards and backs will be thrilling and decisive.

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#### Scotland's game is poetry on a wet and windy day his challenge for Irvine's crown

By Iain Mackenzie

Scotland B 18, France B 4
Perhaps Scotland should play all their games in Borns country.
Less than a mile from the poet's consolidation rather than advance-cottage on the outskirts of Ayr, a taleated Scotlish side defeated with surprising ease a French XV reputed to be almost as good as its semior partner.

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The margin of two goals and two penalty goals to a late try is more than adequate indication of the difference between the teams:

more than snequate innication of the difference between the teams; on the one hand Scotland, enthusiastic and assured, on the other a disappointing French side few of whom did their rugby future much good. Their pack was pushed back constantly and when the ball reached the three-quarters, they made little use of it.

Perhaps that was why the full back, Sallefrangue, decided to ignore them and go through on his own 10 minutes from time for what proved to be France's only score. It was a first-class individual effort, taking him through a defence by then lulled into false security. The kick was missed as were all the others taken by Thiot at stand-off half, and this contributed in some measure to France's downfall.

At first it seemed that Scotland

At first it seemed that Scotland would fare no better in the matter of goal-kicking. Dods was, well wide with his first two shots, but recovered his polse and resumed

Yet is was a day for individual consolidation rather than advancement. The pitch was heavy and wind-driven rain slanting diagonally across the field made life difficult. Hunter at times had some trouble getting in his normally lengthy pass from the base of the scrum, despite the Scottish pack's dominance, and the backs seldom moved as a unit.

The first try was entirely a forward affair. Smith, a powerful force but without the spark of genius he showed in the trial in January, fed Lillington who went over. Wilson converted, and did so sgain when the French tried to run the ball along their own libe, Mothe dropped it and Armstrong had only to fall on it to score.

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# Thereabouts, the Navy's backs ran with verve in a counter-attack but at the halfway mark the Army surved round sitting uncosily, let it be spid, on their three points. Quite clearly the initiative helonged now to the Navy, and though the Army showed commendable resilience, victory for them gradually slipped from the horizon. Amouvi. THE ARMY: L. P. Wartietd: Cni K. A Hearne. Cpi P. Lytollis. Sqi S. Jackson. Signalman H. Glent: Cqi G. Lote giver. Sai Insir L. Callendon B. Tittering. Co. Malor M. Bowles (Captain, Captain, C

# Warrington's juggernaut rumbles on regardless

By Keith Macklin The juggernant progress of Warrington, rolling aside all opposition in cup and league, yesterday took them to the top of the championship table, sponsored by Slalom Lager, and pushed Oldham further towards the second division. It was not a good day for the clubs chasing Warrington and trying to prevent the threatened grand slam from the Wilderspool side. Hull Kingston Rovers and Bradford Northern lost, Wakefield Tripity drew at

Warrington scored three tries in the 20 minutes before half-time in their 22—2 win at Old-ham, and from that point onwards Oldham were in the Warrington Stranglehold. Mike Kelly, Ford. Duane and Eccles scored tries for Warrington and Hesford kicked

Bradford Northern will Poor desence and poor gualkicking for their defeat at Leigh. Northern could only kick one goal to add to their four tries from Gant (two). David Redfearn and Ferres. Leigh. however, scored four tries to which the brilliant Woods, who scored two of them, added three shals and provided the margin of them. Hetory. Pakefield Trinity, who were the

cvernight leaders, scrambed a point against Widnes in a 10-10 draw. The try which saved Trinity was scored by the substitute forward Kelly 10 minutes from the end, Diamond's goal bringing the sides level, Juliff scored the other Wakefield try, wille George tree to touchdown for Widness.

other Wakefield try, wille George made two touchdowns for Widnessand Burke kicked two goals. Another big Hull crowd of 10,485 saw Hull stumble to a shock home defeat against a Workington Town team threatened with relegation. Workington, who previously had not won away from home far 12 months, grabbed victory in the last seconds when their scrum half Todd scored a try and Hopkins kicked the goal. Hull Kingston Rovers still cannot beat the hoodoo which has prevented them winning at St Helens for nearly 60 years. Rovers led 4—0 at half time with a try from Smith and a dropped goal lost, Wakefield Trinity drew at home to Widnes, and only Castle-ford came up with a victory, at Earrow. led 4—0 at half time with a try
from Smith and a dropped goal
from Price, but constant second
half pressure by St Helens brought
tries from Arkwright and Parkes,
and two goals and a dropped goal
from Grifiths.

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## Nightmare on the way to the banks for Oxford

By Jim Railton Oxford University, in their Oxford University, in their first competitive race of the season, suffered multiple failure on Saturday in the Reading Head of the River race. First of all they lost their fin, then their rudder; left behind the chance of a record in fast conditions and the ritle which was there for the the title, which was there for the

the ritle, which was there for the taking.

For Oxford's coxswain, Susan Brown, in her racing debut with the Boat Race crew, it was a nightmare. When the rudder wout and the racing shell was out of control, she veered into both banks. Oxford were offered the chance of racing over the course later to record a time, but it would not have counted in the race result. Ankledeep in mud after their series of disasters. Oxford elected to call it a day. Oxford at least reaped some reward with their reserve crew. Isis, finishing second overall; the Oxford University Women's Boat Isis, finishing second overall; the Oxford University Women's Boat Club winning the women's pennent by nine seconds and 15 positions over Cambridge, and the Oxford men's lightweight eight—despite not looking impressive—finishing ninth overall. But Reading at least made Oxford's Boat Page, crew pause to consider the Race crew pause to consider the need to reach Mortlake on April 4 before thinking of celebrating their sixth successive Boat Race

The Leander second crew were

the Reading victors on Saturday-Leander's first eight, apparently confused "by conflicting advice of marshal's" set off minutes before the field as flead crew, and as a consequence raced in a vacuum. They were not at their best racing ghost crews, but then, in training, the Lean-der second eight were claiming der second eight were claiming that they were faster than the first choice crew. The Lesader reserves had eight seconds over their first eight, which was back in third.
St Edward's School, proved

st Edward's School, proved they are in the ascendancy, taking not only the schlor B pennant and schools' title, but also the junior 16s and 15s titles, although Radley, the holders of the Bourne Cup (for the lastest school crew) were only two seconds behind.

Cambridge University over the Cambridge University over the weekend were "bosted" by the British lightweight eight. With strush highweight eight. With honours more or less even on Saturday, the weekend finished with disputes, warfare and a £100 order for a new oar. Yesterday's temorrow, but Cambridge cannot be too displeased over their second Tidenay right. be too displeased over men on ond Tideway visit.

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# Players of the future rule the roost in quarter-final

enhanced by the presence of the father of Stephen Earchelor, another member of the England Under-21 squad who played on the left wing for Southgate. He had a couple of good runs in the first half but was badly neglected in the second.

first half but was hadly neglected in the second. Southgate dominated the first half, in which they scored the

By Sydney Friskin

Southgate 1, St. Albans 0

Southgate 1, St. Albans bod almost complete command of this period and might well have saved the day but for some inspired play by wallace and Craig in Southgate's defence.

The winners will meet Oltron and West Warwickshire at Guildford on April 4.

The heavy pitch began to deteriorate, making thought that the match was dominated by England's players of the future.

Simon Swerling from the eighteenth minute. Brookeman did the groundwork and after Hurst had saved from Driver, Kerly scored from the rebound. Kerly has now come into the England semior squad and awaits his first cap against Poland on March 18.

Despite the second half dominated of St. Albans when they beat Southgate 1—0 in the London match on January 3.

Paternal influence was further enhanced by the presence of the father of Stephen Eatthelor, and father of Stephe their score when Driver sent Kerly through but Kerly hit the outside of the boards southgare: D. J. Owen: J. L. Duinlo, M. Spray, D. Croin. A. J. Wallact, S. Kerly, T. Driver, R. H. Broteman, S. McCinn (capt), S. Ranchelor. Repolemen, S. Milliam (capt), S. Ratchelor, McGinn (capt), S. Ratchelor, S. Ratchelor, S. Ratchelor, S. Ratchelor, S. Ratchelor, S. Rott, S. Rott, N. Walkey tenb. A. Bowellin, A. Hallday, R. Ashny, S. Porl, G. Hayerin, I. A. Horott, P. Hazell, S. Bwedine, R. Jobbe, Toild and G. A. Lingle, K. Rattophen, Counties!, National Club Championship: Quarter-final round: Gloucester City O.



# The bitter battle of nerves over pay restraint

Some key settlements and claims in the current pay round

Local government manuals

NHS manuals

Civil servants

Water workers

Power workers

Steel workers

British Airways workers

Clearing Bank staff

The pickets outside Downing Street this morning are a painfully public index of the Government's failure to persuade its own employees of the necessity of pay restraint. Ministerial pleas for "realism" over wage rises have gone unheeded, and the conflict is now in the open.

Coming so soon after last month's patent surrender to the miners over pit closures and jubs, the confrontation over civil service pay presents the Cabinet with another full-blown crisis of credibility, and it is hard to see how a face-saving compromise can be salfrom the current

Both sides are playing for high states. The Government is hazarding its whole policy of cash limits and its authority unions are gambling on their ability to disrupt the flow of tax revenue to the Treasury o close to Sir Geoffrey Howe's

By going for the nation's financial jugular, rather than services to the public, the unions calculate that ministers will have to come back to the bargaining table quickly. But in the aftermath of the dramatic climbdown on cash limits for the coal industry, the Cabinet is scarely in a position to concede another defeat at the hands of public sector unions only half-way through

Ministers have secured some per cent settlements for local covernment manual workers and teachers, though even these agreements probably owe more 12 very real fears of unemploy-, main cause of shopfloor moderan ent than to the smack of firm tion.

We write with some despera-

tion about the present and

prospective economic crisis

18 months ago, and which

the common currency of

pulitical and economic

commentary.

were thought hysterical of

the time, have now become

in Britain. Words we used

ability to drive their way through the single-figure wage guidelines. The miners reluc-tantly accepted 13 per cent, tantly accepted 13 per cent, while the water workers appear as British Steel, British Leyeven more grudging about land and British Airways where already well known to ministers, taking a similar package. The state enterprise has to compete whose chief response is 'likely power workers have rejected 11 in a free market place. But in to be a "big stick" policy of the gas, water and electricity mass suspensions and reprisals expect to do considerably better than the last offer of 18 per militant mines and elsewhere refuse to do the work of strikthe same anxieties have not ers. The unknown quantity in

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ments are taking place as private industry reels from crisis to crisis and pay deals are "firmly into single figures" according to the CBI. From 16 per cent last summer, the level of settlements tumbled to 3 or per cent in the new year and ls still falling. Indeed, some West Midlands firms are reporting zero-increase agreements, and nearly balf the companies reporting to the CBI cite the risk of redundancies as the

Elsewhere, union negotiators employment has evidently nor

remain confident of their had as much impact in the unions do not fear unemploypublic sector as it has in private industry. It was a potent factor in the local government negotiations and in areas such

> the same anxieties have not been generated. In this context, it is interesting to note that a comprehening to note that a comprehensive brief on their dispute prepared by the civil service unions provides a question-and-answer rebuttal of likely criticisms of their strike campaign. Not one of the 15 model questions asks: "Won't a bigher settlement than the 7 per cent on offer mean fewer jobs?"
>
> Of course, the civil service has shed some 70,000 jobs since the Conservatives took office the Conservatives took office. But most of these have gone via the relatively painless route of natural wastage and non-

ment, nor are they greatly anxious about the risk of ser-vice personnel taking over their

State of negotiations

13% ten-month deal

9.5% settlement

7.5% agreement

6% rejected

11% rejected

8.2% on basic rates

6-month freeze then 7%

18.8% "comparability" dea

7% rejected; strikes starting

13% offer; acceptance recommended

12% accepted; arbitration on overtime

20% plus shorter work week claimed

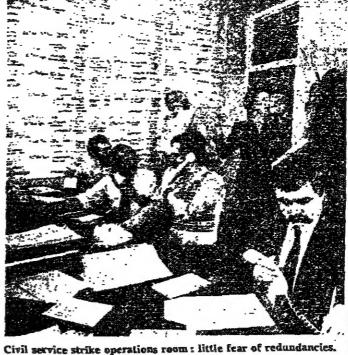
Three-month freeze, then 8 per cent offer

ers. The unknown quantity in the forthcoming guerrilla war is how long the unions' nerve will hold out.

This is the first time that all nine civil service unions have united in a common claim and common industrial action that cuts across occupational and status boundaries. And the more links there are in the chain, the greater the likelihood that one or more will give.

one or more will give.

One possible solution already
being aired privately by the
Civil Service Department is an
inquiry into what should take
the place of the Pay Research
Unit (PRU), the comparability replacement. fact-finding body whose work And if the civil services has been unceremoniously



suspended. Its reports, which system has operated, the civil form the basis of collective bargaining for civil servants, have been suppressed and the sense of grievance in the ser-vice has been fed more by this wice has been fed more by this ment-financed research body act than by the modesty of has been providing the unions Lord Soames's 7 per cent offer. with bullets to fire back at the It smacks of rejecting the um-

It smacks of rejecting the um-pires decision.
But the Government is deeply suspicious of the whole mechanism of comparability between public and private em-ployment, and having scrapped the Clegg commission now wants to shift to a more easily-managed system for, assessing managed system for assessing the worth of its own employees. The trouble with PRU is that it has traditionally sought to make good the gap between salaries in public employment and best practice in large, roughly analogous private sec-tor firms; whereas for Conservatives the reality of the world outside Whitehall is a jungle ranging from back-street rogue outlits to the relatively secure environment of blue-chip pri-

vate enterprise.
Over the 25 years that the

service unions have honed the statistical reports of the PRU into a formidable bargaining weapon. In effect, a govern-Cabinet, and perhaps it was too good to last. But in their keenness to be

seen to be standing firm when all around in the public sector are giving in ministers have failed to identify the fundamental sense of grievance created by the virtually overnight abolition of the "fair compari-

tional.

tween some members of the

international sub-committee of the Labour Party's National

Executive Committee and Herman Cohen, Deputy Assis-

tant Secretary of Stote for the

United States Government, efforts were made by Mr Cohen

to convince us that the guerrilla fighting in El Salvador against

government and right-wing forces was part of a commun-ist plot and that arms were reaching the guerrillas through

Cuba and Nicaragua on a large

scale. We were told that there

were documents to prove this.

although no copies of these were to hand.

Stephen Webre, an American

writer in the epilogue of his

book Jose Napoleon Duorte and the Christian Democratic

Party in Salvador Politics 1960-72 says: "Political expectations,

had been raised to such a point

that they could not readily be

deflated without serious cost, and the blatant employment of

legal and extra-legal electoral

controls in 1972 had contri-buted to the alientation of the

son system". Taking away PRU without having something plausible to put in its place now looks like a serious error of industrial relations judgment. Now they have pushed the moderates into an alliance with the militants, and the consequences are standing outside their offices with placards in their hands.

prevent unemployment rising at the same time. And any large fall in sterling would within a few months bring in-flation back to 20 per cent and

more, with rising prices cutting

This underlying dilemma of economic policy has worsened to the extent that any signifi-

cant relaxation of fiscal and monetary policy now, particu-larly if the Government is known to desire some fall in the exchange rate, is likely to

generate a heavy, prolonged and uncontrolable run on

sterling with disastrous conse-

quences for inflation long before there is any sign of re-covery from the slump.

Our view is that fiscal and

monetary policy should be re-

laxed and ther some devalua-

tion of sterling is essential if

British goods are ever to com-

pete successfully in home and

overseas markets. But if our

analysis is correct people may

wonder whether there will ulti-

mately be any alternative to the imposition of direct controls

over foreign exchange transac-

tions, imports and money

into real incomes.

Paul Routledge Labour Editor

record on the question democratic rights. record on

cratic leader with a reason

Eric Heffer

What Britain

should do abou

who went to Washington with and who in the past ha-the Thatcher press entourage, a charismatic Christian I

El Salvador

the Thatcher press entourage, the Prime Minister did a good job in restraining President Reagan and his colleagues connemocratic rights.
At one time when his presidential candidate Guillermo Manuel Ungo w today both leader of the Bustinianus Territoria. cerning El Salvador. If this were true, we should all be happy, but surely her "success" was minimal, in the sense that although she may have that although she may have urged President Reagan not to proceed with any immediate plans to blockade Cuha, and despite Lord Carrington's less than enthusiastic acceptance of United States policy in El Salvador, she did not express any opposition to what the United States is doing in El Salvador and publicly gave it her blessing. cratic Revolutionary Front M.N.R. a democratic soc party affiliated to the Soc International and who resi from the Government on uary 2, 1989, and in doin clearly showed the und cratic nature of the reg Duarte, who recently arre some far right militarist nevertheless President because of the goodwill support of the tuling mili Immediately before Mrs Thatcher's visit to Washington, the United States Government

worked hard to win support for its policy in El Salvador, send-Mgr Delgado, renow for his right-wing views ing special envoys to Europe who paid particular attention therefore not in sympathy most of his fellow-Salvada to the Labour Party and its allies in the Socialist Internapriests, tried to convince meeting of Labour MP; the present Salvadoran Gov At a meeting arranged at the House of Commons be-

> practising policies wh are an anathema to him?

a Guatemalan Jesuiz, writing the murdered Archbish Romero sold, Preaching r good news of the Kingdom the poor. Mg. Rometo achiev a revival of Church life and unprecedented unity amon the majority of pasto workers, priests, nunc, I preachers, catechists and so a

has become the advocate of a poor. . . He has evangely all men according to the different situations; giving he opposition and severely dam-aged the prestige of the democratic solution. The events of the 1970s would to the poor, revitalizing popul religiosity, guiding those Chr tians who are more involved politically, calling those power, who oppress the por-to conversion. The Church h denounced with freedam, for tude and persistence the soci sins of the country and h consistently stresped the new for new social and politic structures. . . Under the leade ship of Mgr Romero the Churc

parties-that Guatemala had suffered in the 1960s." At the time certain rightwing forces were campaigning for "sanitation" against against "communists" wherever they might be—in the Supreme Court, the Legislative Assembly, government ministries and

even the clergy. It is obvious that suppression and manipulation of demo-cratic rights led to the rise of young leftist guerrilla forces which in turn intensified the growth of right-wing para-military groups resulting in bloodshed and violence affecting thousands of innocent

At such times surely even right-wing democratic Govern-ments should give support and nor hostility to those democratic forces which having failed to find a peaceful solution have been forced to take up arms against their oppressors. The figleaf for present American policy is the fact that El Salvador's President is Jose Napoleon Duarte

Under his leadership t church as a whole gained inf ence and credibility in society He further said. The Chur

encourage not only the growth of leftist guerrilla movements, but also right-wing paramili-tary organizations and El Salvador would experience in the 1970s the sort of political warfare-clandestine armies of the ideological extremes attacking visible enemies of the centre such as the Church, the Government and the opposition tial option for the poor." Fo that, and it should never be

forgotten, Archhishop Romerwas assassinated.

whose Government is described

On a recent visit to Brit

ment had nationalized banks, had a programme other reforms and were ca ing out land reform of massive scale.

If that Government is progressive why are the decratic forces of Ungo's M. nor supporting it, and who Ronald Reagan giving aid Government which is said

In a recent pampilet. Church in Central Americ. Faith, Hope and Love in Suffering Church, Cesar let

adopted a social position which corresponded to the preferen

Daily, the situation become increasingly more perilous an if Mrs Thatcher really wonts to peace and is truly concerne-about democracy and freedom should say to Reagan, publicly-loud an clear-stop giving arms to in El Salvadoran Junta, suppor the call of the Swedish Foreig negotiations and heed the to-cent warnings of Archbisho Quinn of San Francisco of the grave dangers in the Unite States becoming more involvewith the Salvadoran Junea. She should also ask the

United States to withdraw military advisers immediately and support all efforts to enthe violence and establish do mocracy and human rights in El Salvador.

The author is Labour MP fer Liverpool, Walton. E) Times Newspapers Limited, 19

# Inflation: can the patient survive?

the inflationary disease is being alone the 15 per cent contrac-contained, the patient is being tion which has occurred in the rapidly killed off.

After the farcical experience

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There is nothing inevitable chout what is going on. The slump which is rapidly destroying British industry is the resuit of the tightness of the tiorernment's fiscal and mone-tury policies and of the absurdly high exchange rate brought about by these policies. Though

past year.

Another major fallacy going the rounds is that the Govern-ment has made private industry bear too much of the burden of its fight against inflation by failing to make sufficient cuts in public expenditure. There is only one way in which private industry can now be rescued and that is the control of the co Britain's oil wealth has required some structural adjusting and that is by a sustained increase in sales and profits. Further than the sales and profits of the pattern of so far from relieving British in-dustry, will make its sales pros-pects even worse. A cut in in-terest rates may help, but this

After the farcical experience of monetary targetry during the past year no-one can any longer say, without looking ridiculous, that lower interest rates necessarily increase the money supply or, if they did, that this would matter. Why hasn't the slump caused

more serious and more general concern and indignation? There is one clear reason which is directly related to strategic mismanagement by both the pre-sent Government and the last one. We have been consuming more without producing more. Is since 1976 industrial production has fallen by over 10 per cent and total domestic output, excluding the North Sea, is if anything lower than it was five years ago. Yet personal con-sumption in total has grown by at least 10 per cent, Consump-tion and take-home pay have even gone on rising through the period of industrial collapse

since the end of 1979. paradox is partly resolved by the fact that oil production and improving terms of trade (pushed up by the exchange rate) have raised our national income by 6 or 7 per cent. To this extent, spending could rise without any growth

at all in our non-oil production. The other point is that within the total national income there has been a big shift in favour of the personal sector at the expense of companies and government finances. Many factors have contributed to this-

on export profit margins and on capacity unlization, the rising cost of social security. The result has been to sustain growth of private consumption t the expense of a carastrophic fall in company profits, public investment and now private in-

has been misused with a vengeance and our productive base

thas been badly damaged.

The present position is unsustainable. Apart from the fact that North Sea oil has nearly reached its peak, the exchange rate has been so high for so long that export sales are bound to fall substantially over the next two years (as surveys by the Confederation of British Industry indicate). If fiscal and monetary poll-

cies are not substantially modi-fied the slump will continue with no sustained recovery at any stage. Alternatively, if policies are

relaxed sufficiently to halt the fall in the exchange rate will occur. We estimate that a occur. We estimate that a "dash for growth" type of re-covery at anything like the present exchange rate would after two years generate a bal-ance of payments deficit of £10,000 million or more.

To put the same point nother way, a devaluation of around 40 per cent would now be needed to preserve balance of payments equilibrium and

The growth of national income

#### incomes. Francis Cripps and Wynne Godley (per cent of national income)

	1956-6	6 1966-76	1976-81	
Sources of growth in national income:				
Industrial production	14.9	5.0	-5.0	
Other domestic output Overseas income, terms of	18.3		3.5 7.5	
trade and North Sea	0.8	-2.9		
Increase in national Income	34.0	19.6	6.0	
Uses of growth in national income:				
Private consumption	19.5	12.8	6.7	
Public services	3.6	6.2	0.9	
Fixed investment Stockbuilding and current	10.4	4.5	-2.3	
balance of payments	0.5	-3.8	0.7	
Estimates for 1981 from CEPG accounts.	model;	historical data	from national	

# Being British in a trouble spot

The good news from San Salvador is that the bar at the British Club has a two-month reserve supply of liquor and it's members' upper lips are so stiff they could open bottles of tonic water with them.

The bad news is that the tonic water is not Schweppes: El Salvador's violent political troubles have caused a curtailment of supplies. Moreover, membership of the club is dwindling as the weaker brethren pack up and leave.

The billiards and snooker competitions had to be cancelled because, with too few contestants, they had become—
"a farce". The cricket team
cannot find 11 players. The
"happy hours" at the bar on
Friday evenings were abolished because of the curfew.

The British Club is a modest, heavily mortgaged house in a side street off the broad Pasco Escalon in the western part of the city, commanding a view of Hardce's Hamburger House.

On the right of the entrance is a dining room with three small tables, on the left pictures of the Queen and Prince Philip taken a dozen or more years agn. Facing that is a list of the club's past presidents.

One of them, Henry Ellison, accompanied me in. He was the club's president in 1964 and now, at 75, it's oldest member. "All the others have left except me", he mused, surveying the list with a sigh. Peter Caswell, the vice-

president and treasurer, con-firmed that the rolls were firmed that the rolls were dwindling alarmingly, down now to less than 100. Two years ago they were double that and there was talk of limiting new mem-

Caswell himself was to join he throng of the departing a few days after my visit. The insurance company he works for was posting him to Panama. The notice board told much

of the story. A copy of "paper clip", the club's duplicated news sheet, dated October, was pinned up. "It's not come out recently because nobody has been able to do it," Mr Ellison explained. For sale," read a notice,

Sears frig patio furniture, aby car seat, and another Home wanted for 3-year-old cocker spaniel, affectionate and good with children," and again; "Maid with references seeks work for March." All tieing up the loose ends of departure. I continued the tour. The bar, the club's social centre, is curved, with jokey crests fixed to a panel above. A large fan whirrs comfortingly overhead. The Times and The Daily Tele-

graph, none newer than two weeks old, lay on the table. The Library holds hound volumes of Punch, for a good British giggle, as well as a well-thumbed billiards and snooker rule bonk. On the shelves are trophies for table tennis, foot-

ball and darts.

The darts board is in the next room, near the piano. used to have concertto have concerts but they're in abeyance now ". said Ellison. The billiard room, with a rude poster on the wall, is beyond and the swimming pool beyond that.

I was there on the day of the annual general meeting, held on a Saturday afternoon because of the curfew. Chairs had been drawn up in the piano and darts room and a table covered with red, white and blue cloth.

Carol Thearle, head of science at the British school here and the club's secretary, opened the meeting after it was decided that the 12 members and five wives present constituted a quorum. She listed the entertainments members had managed to enjoy despite the trouble; the curry night, the western night, the Queen's birthday party, the hallowe'en barbeque and the rest.

Caswell gave the treasurer's "We are still solvent ", he declared, though owing money for the premises. He chastised members for not being generous enough the Christmas hox for staff who had reported for work every evening, through the worst of the crisis.

Then came election for the committee in which almost every person who could be cajoled into standing was standing was successful. The rule is that at least four of the committee of nine must be a British or Commonwealth citizen—a revirement that gets harder to fulfil year by year.

Less than a third of the members are British. The rest are people the British like to drinl: with-the Americans and better class Salvadoreans. One hardship only indirectly

to do with the political troubles and which caused great anguish was the question of credit at the har. One of the valued benefits of club membership, from Pall Mall to Pasco from Pall Mall to Paseo Fiscalon, is that you can get drinks and not pay for them until next month or later.

Because of the clab's cosh right wing, always have been ", and went on to tell me of a

of being abolished here. Members must put up bonds in advance. There were pained looks but in with the stoicism of a people accustomed to grousing. During the meeting, emer-

gency supplies of beer being ferried from the After it, they all gathered there to fill up and talk about how they were surviving the constant violence and curfew. They were being-what else-very British

"It becomes a way of life," said Carol Thearle. "You learn to look in your rear view mirror when you're driving."

Roger Brumby, another teacher at the British school spoke of another deprivation. "A group of us used to climb the volcanos here", he said. "We stopped 15 months ago." Wise, for the volcanos are where the left-wing guerrillas have some of their camps.

An enviable quality of expatriates anywhere is their ability to convince themselves that, whatever local difficulties there are, things are better than in their homeland, which has been accelerating downhill since

been accelerating downhill since ... well, since they left.

"Who's on arribe there?" Chortled Danny Franklin, a committee member believing I was that from Britain, I could not tell him and forebore to make the point that, despite our industrial relations difficulties, we did not share El Salvador's disconcerting tradition of slaughtering our political opponents nightly.

opponents nightly.

Dennis Martin, who runs a school of commercial English and is married to the sister of the deputy head of the National Guard, said: "I'm right-wing always have been."

letter he had recently written to a relative in England: sitting on my balcony watching the volcano and earing melon and payaya and the tempera-ture is 75°. How is London in February?" Many members complained

that reporters with had visited the club previously had written articles giving the impression that the British community was unconcerned about El Salvador's difficulties, spending their time diting round the pool drinking gin and sniffing the tropical flowers..." ("If he can find any tropical flowers round our pool..." stormed one man.)

I do not want to be accused of giving the same incorrection. Salvador's

of giving the same impression bescause it is false. The British here are showing courage and concern for their temporarily adopted country.
This is particularly true of

the teachers at the British school, who have a sense of mission, believing they're doing something worthwhile in institting their values into the 600 ounls, mostly sons and doughing their values into the 650 pupils, mostly sons and dauchters of wealthy Salvadoreaus. "I think things will move more quickly here if I can touch people who will have the power," he said, he beleasquered Britons do not have even an embassy to protect them anymore. It is a

tect them anymore. It was close soon after the kidnapping of two British bankers in 1972 and now stands locked and barred, weeds growing from its window boxes. Without an embassy, without

Schweppes, they console them-selves with the weather and the volcanos. Not to mention the well-stocked reserve of spirit, in both senses of the word.

Michael Leapman



# Dawdling Gower pays price of meeting an uninhibited King

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Bridgetown, March 8

Robin Jackman soon made an impact here today—on the field this time rather than off it. Coming on when Haynes and Greenidge. on when Haynes and Greenidge, opening for Barbados, were in full cry, he removed Haynes and in Partnership with Emburey gave England's howling a much tighter look than when Botham and Stevenson had been using the new ball. At close of play Barbados were 133 for three in reply to England's 298.

Until Jackman and Emburey howled together England had been struggling—with bal as well as ball. There is just enough pace in the pitch—for an one of genuine pace. That is—to august that England's betsmen may need all the protection they can find in the Test here on Friday. Their batsmen have mostly taken to wearing forearm guards, right handers on the nave mostly taken to wearing fore-arm guards, right handers on the left arm, left handers on the right, heing able to expect pothing from the umpires by way of a realistic interpretation of the law covering fast, short-pitched bowling.

fast, short-pitched bowling.

Against Botham and Stevenson, of nothing like the same nace as Clarke. Damel and Marshall. Greenidge played some dazrling strokes while opening the Barbados immiss, but Jackman, once he had picked up his line, had Haynes caught at the wicket, driving at him. Emburey howled heautifully having George Reifer dropped at slip and Greenidge and Trotman then caught there by Botham.

hour before tea, Barhados scored 67 without loss; in the two hours afterwards they made an-other 66 while losing Haynes, Greenidge and Troman.

Barbados are playing three fast bowlers rather than their customary four (Garner is resting and Alleyne unfit) but even with Padmore, the off-spinner, bowling more overs than any of them, the islands over-rate was still miserably slow and the amount of short stuff unattractively high. With another Test match coming up, it was ominous to see so bouncers passing unchecked. From Clarke and Marshall there were usually two an over, often three, For four-and-a-balf hours yes-

terday, Boycoit ducked and weaved and searched around for scoring chances. This was his sixth firstchances. This was his sixth firsi-class infings of the tour and the fifth time he has reached 70 with-out going on to his hundred. He puts it down to a lack of cricker in which to get into the way of playing a long innings. Also, of course, the constant wear of facing last howling takes in toll.

The best of the England batting came when Boycott and Gower were rogether and before Gower allowed himself to be unhappily run out. Having gone down the pitch and hit Padmore hard and straight to King at deep mid-off. Gower rather dawdled around, knowing it to have been the last ball of the over. For want of anything better to do King an uninball of the over. For want of anything better to do King, an uninhibited creature, hurled the ball back to the wicketkeeper and turned away, it occurring no more to him than to Gower that anything might come of it.

With Murray taking off the hails before the umpire had called over or Gower had bothered to regain his ground, Gower had to be given out, Boycott's pleading on Gower's behalf, on the grounds that the ball was dead, was unactalling.

availing. Gatting,
Gatting promised well for half
an hour; Butcher lived chancily
for two hours and a quarter
before being martellously caught
on the long on boundary. Colin
Mitburn, mouth watering, felt
that Padmore "got away with
murder"; vet it was in trying to
hit him back over his head that
Boycott and then Butcher were
out.

This morning, in two hours, England added 57 runs from 29 overs. Willey, dropped twice at slip off Marshall, making 41 of them. Botham, determined this time not to get himself out, took nearly three hours to get 40. He had recovered from a nasty knock in the box from Clarke and was promising something worth seeing when he was caught at the wicket.

After lunch, with bouncers still when he was caught at the wicket. After lunch, with bouncers still abounding. Willey was caught at the wicket off Clarke, who bowled Stevenson in the same over. Jackman. generously enough received, had a nasty little misunderstanding with Bairstow, which led to Bairstow being run out. When Jackman was bowled, England's innings had lasted for eight hours 50 minutes—or 132.4

By comparison the women's match, running simulteneously against Causda, was a poor contest for Britain could only field one gymnast from the last world

in the Commonwealth Games in 1978 and their hopes for revenge at Wembley ended in defeat by 6.43 marks after losing on bers, beam and floor with vaulting as

championships and

# Credit for Britain despite defeat against Russians the courage to fight back and they beat the Russians at vaulting by 0.3 of a mark with Winch scoring 9.3. Langley and van Hoof 9.35 each, and the Welsh champion, Andrew Morris, 9.30.

By a Special Correspondent By a Special Correspondent Eritish symmastics entered a new era when men from the Soviet Union arrived at Wembley areas to meet Great British for the first time as a team in the Hunt international on Saturday. Nobody expected a British victory, here when the Presions were by Nobody expected a British victory, but when the Russians won by only 4.40 points, much surprise and admiration for Britain were expressed, and none was more voolferous than from the national coach, John Atkinson, who publicly declared before the match that he would settle for defeat by 15 points without a loss of national dignity.

It was true that the Soviet

It was true that the Soviet Union did not field their Olympic mx, but in the team there were the European junior champion, Yuri Korolev, and several sym-nasts destined for the world championships later this year.

pionships later this year.

The struggle started untidily with both teams falling badly from their tumbles in the floor exercises. For Britain, Eddie van Hoof came to the rescue with 9.10 for his prone to handstand move, Keith Langley was on 9.15 and Berry Winch scored 9.20. For the Russians, Kornley hit 9.60.

The Russians led Britain by a mere 0.70 of a mark after the

mere 0.70 of a mark after the first discipline, but spatched a further mark for pommels and another 1.50 for rings. The result was not in donht, but Britain had

Real tennis

## against a brick wall

By Roy McKelvie John Ward, the third seeded player and a sticky customer to play, had a tuste with Michael Gradon in the amateur real tennis singles thampionship at Queen's club yesterday. Ward won by 6—5. 6—4, 6—3, more by wearing down the loser than by any positive

the loser than by any positive action.
Gradon, the best player to come out of Cambridge University for some years, has an attractive flowing style, holds the head of the tacket high, gets down to cut his strokes and is mobile.
Gradon's versatility and skill began to show when Ward was leading 5-2 in the first set. To reach set point Ward laid a very short chase which Gradon beat with a force to the dedams and outplaying his man, squared the set at 5-5.

Leading 4-1 in the second set. Gradon had points for 5-2 and 5-3 but began to lose steam. He had done a lot of running and, possibly through tiredness, began to miss chances. He recovered at the start of the third set but then

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the start of the third set but then faded as if he felt there was not much more he could do against a metaphorical brick wall.

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their only success.

#### Motor rallying Gradon comes up | Alen takes lead in drivers' championship

Estoril, March 8.—Markku Alea, of Finland, took the lead in the world championship by winning the Car Rally of Portugal for the fourth time here last might. Alen had taken the lead in his Flat 131. Abarth when the early pacesetter, Hannu Mikkola, drove his Audi Quatro to a standstill on the flurd stage and Ari Vatanen crashed his Ford Escort. He finished more than nine minutes ahead of Henry Tolvonen, the winner of last year's

Alen gained a two-second fead over Toivonen, but when Toivonen went off the road after a navigational mishap, he opened up a comfortable margin. The victory gare Alen 24 points and a one-point lead over Toivonen in the world championship, which Alen previously won in 1975, 1977 and 1978. RAC Rally.

Michèle Mouton, of France, at And the wheel of the other works
Audi Quattro, became the first
woman to win a timed section in
this rally, setting up the scratch
time once on Friday and six times on Saturday, when Alen was driv-ing caudously to preserve his

RESULTS: 1. M Alon & J. Kivinski, Injuandi, Fist 131, Rhr Zirmin 26coc; 1. H Tolgonen i Finlandi & F. Gallagher (GR), Talbal Lottis, 9min 10sec behind: 3. B Waldegaard & R. Thorezellus (Swedeni, Toyota 17:23: 4 M. Monton i France) & F. Pend & I. Grindred (GR), Datsin 10:141. Audi Quatiro, 25.31. Patsin 10:143. 6. Frenquellin & J. Tout i France: Talbot Lotus, 49.31. ORIVERS CHAMPIONSHIP: 1. Alen. 24 points, 2. Toyonen, 23: 5. Frequellin, 21: 4. Kullang (Sweden), H. Mikkola i Finland?, J. Ragnotti i France: 20. MANUFACTURERS' CHAMPION-H. R. L. D. Nation heat R. G. Parcell P. D. Nation heat Clerch, 6–2 6. Sar bout Gradon, 6–3 6–4 6. W. F. Dean heat Clerch, 6–2 6. Sar bout Gradon, 6–3 6–4 6. W. F. Dean heat Clerch, 6–2 6. Sar Dean heat Clerch, 6–2 6. Sar Dean heat Clerch, 6–2 6. Toyota, Ford, 15. Remark, 18; 6 Toyota, Ford, 15.

## Latest European snow reports

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In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U in upper slopes. The fellowing report has been received from another source.

Ice skating

# Coming to terms with the world

Harrford, March &

It is the morning after the tumultuous night before and the two charming young skaters from Nottingham still find it hard to overs, 35.4 of them bowled off a short, quick run by Padmore. Not long ago, in the same length of time. Barbados would have expected to bowl perhaps 150 overs, worth a total in excess of 400, even at England's scoring rate. So changes the game for the worse. come to terms with what they come to terms with what and, have achieved. Their eyes carry a bint of the triumph of having won the world ice-dance champlouship here last night, but their mood is still one of sweet bewildermant. still one of sweet bewildermont.

Jayne Torvill and Christopher

Dean seemed different people
from those who produced such
histrionic changes of mood on the
ice, according to the demands of
the music, notably the haughty
arrogance of the pass doble. "I
don't feel any different from yesterday." Dean said, "There is
almost a sense of anti-climax now
it's all over."

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SCORES: India, 174 for 2 (C. P. S. hauhan 78 S. M. Gavaster 55) V

One had one's fears about the strength of character of Miss Torvill and Dean, 23 and 22 respectively, who come from humble hackgrounds and are not among pature's extroverts. In the event nature's extroverts. In the event they were superb, responding magnificently to the highly-charged atmosphere created by a stadium crammed to the ratters with nearly 15,000. They were better even than of linastruck a month 200, when they won the European title in front of, comparatively speaking, a handful of on-lookers.

"That victory," their trainer. "That victory." their trainer. Betty Callaway, savs, "gave them more authority." It showed. This was ice-dance of the highest quality in the Eritish tradition of the ballroom. a recognizably brilliant extension of the polais de danse's quickstep, tango, and rock 'n' roll, with an expressive speciality section thrown in. It almost a sense of anti-climax now it's all over."

Their accomplishment here hardly seemed possible when the season began. The rise from sixth place to first, even in the wake of the usual post-Olympic defections, is an assonishing advance, which may help to allay further the natural concern of some city rate-payers at the grant of £40,000 for the next three years to help to sustain their attempt on the Olympic gold medal at Sarajevo three years hence. So might the proud legend "City of Nottingbam" shining from their track suits before the world's press last might.

They had been drawn to skate first of the five leading couples, a disadvantageous position as a general principle, but at least it spared the nerve-wracking wait in the dressing-rooms listening to the ropponents, On the other hand, the judges are prone to mark with speciality section thrown in. It was breathtaking stuff, courting disaster from one perilous moment to the next as their flashing blades came near to collision, so

blades came near to collision, so millimetre-close is their control. The British couple had two serious challengers as a result of the computances: Irina Moiseyera and Andrei Minenkov, former world champions for the Soviet Union, and Judy Blumberg and Michael Seifert, holders of the Americau title. The Russlans gave a puzzling exhibition which seemed to have little to do with ice-dance, and were relegated from second place to third by Courtney Jones, of Britain, alone among the nine judges, The Russlan judge was in an equally isolated position of putring his compatinots above the British couple,

The Americans suffered a demoralizing setback within half a minute when Settert caught a heel and they fell, for no reason that he himself could offer. They do, and subsequently did, any number of daring manogures and there was a cruel irony on his loss of concentration when absolu-tely no danger threatened. A fail in ice-dance is much more serious than in free skating, because, as Seifert himself said afterwards, "that's the name of the game". Their change of any kind of medal

The bronze medal in the end nent to the dazzlinz second Russian couple, Natalia Bestemis-nova and Andrei Bukin. The second British couple, Karen Barber and Nicholas Slater, again skated with charm and vivacity to finish seventh, an advance of three places over last year, and Wendy Sessions and Stephen Williams took 11th place, a highly encouraging first appearance in this company.

The British victory was a special triumph for Mrs Callaway. After a decade of Russian domination she has won the world title on two successive occasions, with an Hungarian couple last year and now with a British. Had this victory come too soon, with Saragevo in mind? "Yes," she said, "and we"ll just have to work that much harder."

A postscript is demanded by Deborah Cottrill, second in Deborah Control, second in Britain, sixth in Europe, and now fourth in the world after a superb free skaing programme on Friday night, certainly her best yet. In

the realm of artistic skating she ranked second only to Denise Biellmann, the enchanting Swiss with the speciacular two-handed, overhead catch-foot spin, but their three triple jumps fell far short of the seven of Elaine Zayak, the Livear old American chamilton. 15-year-old American champion. The imminent regrement of Miss Biellmann leave, us with the dis-ptriting prospect of a jumping machine succeeding to the world title. Where, oh where, is the message first broadcast by John Curry 18 1976 7

was gone now, but they proceeded to give a performance that sug-gested what might have been. 108 DANCE: 1. 1 Investig and 4. Dean (GB: 2 Opts 2 1 Min. ayers and 4. Minenton: USES 10.5 N. Artena onto 4. Minenton: USES 10.5 N. Artena onto 4. Billion of 5 C. 10.5 N. Opts 10.5 N. Opt 

Parents oserloyed: The parents of the new champions were delighted with their success. Mrs Betty Dean of Busford, Northingham said: "Chris rang from America soon after the results were announced. He just could not believe it. I do not think it has sunk in for either of them yet." Mrs Betty Torvill, of Basford, said: "Javne began skating at the age of mne with her classmates. Now she has achieved her lifeling ambition. We are very grateful to Nothingham City Council for sponsoring them."

Phil Mahre keeps up pressure on Stenmark

Skiing

Aspen, Colorade, March 5 - who Mahre, of the Victory for Phil Mahre, of the limited States, in yesterney's men's clant statem here mainty and the suspense in the World Cup. However, Ingemar Stenmark, of Sweden, still needs only one more statem win for his fourth World

Cup.
Stepmark usually leaves his best
until last, but he last on resterday's difficult course when he
faded over the lower half of the
second out. Mahre, trailing by 19
hundredths of a second after the
first lea, overheaded the Swede
with a faultless second run
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# Italy, Germany, a world cruise, one's diary is so full

The telephone went early a couple of weeks ago: it was Jeanette Charles (the lady who makes a fortune out of being a lookalike, she is in fact in no uncertain way, the Queen's double). Ms Charles sounded

"Look I've been filming all week", she said with a great deal of irritability, "and I'm off to Italy to do a TV spectacular and I've not got much time . . what can I do for you?" "I'm not sure". I replied sleepily, "you phoned me." "Oh yes, well I think someone from my management had seen your feature yes, well I think someone from my management had seen your feature in the Express about Richard Todd, lovely man, and they suggested I call you to invite you down to have a look at my home and take some pictures of me and..."

"Give me the address", I pretend

me the address. I pretend to search for a pen. Jeanette gives me the address. It is a detached country house, second on the right past the war memorial, by the pub, now what's the name of the pub, you must know it John..."

She complained about all these wretched recorrers and press who

wretched reporters and press who never stop hounding her. One shastly reporter, "cheeky beggar", had even expected her 19-year-old son to dress up in polo gcar, "I ask you—I mean some people will stop at nothing..."

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What did she think of the Genuine Article who recently had strong words with the press corps, who stalked her and her family in the grounds at Sandringham? "Yes, indeed, dreadful isn't it. You see I'm a Royalist. I don't care for the way the Royal family is being treated..."

Did she think about the consequences to the British Royal family since she specialized in TV commercials and programmes that would in all probability depict the Queen of England in bad light thereby capitalizing on someone who could not answer back. Hardly cricket?

"But I go as me: Jeanette Charles, when I'm abroad I do a lot of chat shows, not only in Italy but in France and Germany roo; I'm me, not the Queen."

"But you do profess to be the Queen's lookalike and you concede, would you not, that since you dress up in all the regalia complete with

up in all the regalia complete with tiara and blue sash, what's that the order of by the way?"

"The Garter I think. John I do think we can perhaps go into all this when we meet, I'll give you a ring when I get back next week."

The following week the phone went: It was the indomitable Ms Charles. Her diary it seemed was as full as ever but would I care to come next Wednesday?

Yes I could and how had she Yes I could end how had she enjoyed Italy?

Wonderful but I had to remember Wonderful but 1 had to remember that she was not the Queen. "I've got to fly to Germany fairly soon. I've got a booking pencilled in for next week, and then I've got this world cruise. . . "Finally I am asked if I'm definitely coming next Wednesday which seems to be the one and only time that Ms Charles can fit me in.

She tells me that she is learning Italian and German. Show business can be a real bore at times and at every possible moment she brushes up her Italian.

Did she not feel that it might not be inconceivable for an Italian peasant, say, down in rural southern Italy when viewing the box genuinely to mistake her for the real Queen of England.

"Well let's talk about that next Wednesday!" Wednesday!"
Wednesday arrives all too quickly. I can't face it. I panic. I get my secretary to phone Uglies Enterprises, just one of the agencies who represent Ms Charles. I listen entranced on the extension. "So sorry but Mr Oliver will have to cancel Jeanette Charles' kind invitation to pay her a visit today...." "We have a lot of other lookalikes" comes back the dulcet tones of an Uglies booker. "We have a Queen Mum and, just in, a Lady Di."

"A Lady Diana?" I break in, the news of the engagement to Prince Charles has only just broken. Some enterprising lady has been very smart and very quick. "Yes, Mr Oliver (how does she know k's me?) Chake a many layely mirl called Diana. She's a very lovely girl called Diana (wouldn't you know it) Goodman. Perhaps you would care to meet her, she's already been interviewed by NBC for the States and Thames which is due to go out on Monday."

"Really." "Yes, we're looking for a lookalike for Prince Charles now, and Prince Philip—we can turn a few people into new people." I am at a loss for what to say

I am at a loss for what to say while I try to discern whether there is any innuendo implied. But there is no stopping this girl. She wants to send me a catalogue, I think about giving her a false name. Where should she send it, she asks me. But then I realize I can hardly give her a false name since she knows who I am. How, I ask myself, is she so sure when everyone else around her and in her catalogue does not seem so sure who they are. I put down the phone.

All the world is a comic strip.

And men and women merely lookalikes in it."

Oh boy. I make for the bathroom and try not to look in the mirror. I mean you just never know these days.

In any event I decide that's it. At least I've been spared something. I certainly would in no circumstances now be paying a visit to Jeanette Charles: and as for Diana Goodman, if she was anything like the genuine arricle; well now there's a

John Oliver



# The right to rights inside the prison gates

A campaign starts today for the courts unless their furisd prisoners' rights. It might at tion was clearly excluded first seem just another bandwagon for those who think prisons should be more a bed of roses than a bed of nails. But the campaign is only indirectly concerned with cordi-tions. Behind it is the belief tions. Behind it is the belief that prisons should not be cases removed from the law and judicature of this country. When the prison gates close, it is held, a prisoner should not lose the protection of the law along with his freedom.

A private member's Bill is published by Alfred Duhs, Labour MP for Wandsworth, Battersea South, with the aim, among other things, of making the Prison Act, 1952, and the Prison Rules under it enforcable

Last year a prisoner who had been kept in a "special control unit" for troublemakers—now disbanded—tried unsuccessfully to sue the Home Office for false imprisonment. The judge found the Prison Rules had been breached but that the courts had no power to intervene: the rules were a matter for the Home Office. Critics saw the judgment as a licence the rules with impunity.

But in 1978 in a case brought against the Board of Visitors of Hull Prison by some prisoners backed by the National Council for Civil Liberties, the Court of Appeal held the Board must act according to the rules of natural justice. If it does not, the prisoner may apply to the courts for a judicial review.

"The rights of a citizen, however, circumscribed by a penal sentence or otherwise, must always be the concern of

some statutory pro-Lord Justice Shaw said.

Other gains for prisonerights include the 1975 European Court of Human Righ ruling against the Governme for refusing a prisoner acce to a solicitor. And the Eu-pean Commission of Hum; Rights is expected shortly find the Government in bread of the human rights conventing for censoring prisoners' ma and for refusing to allow prisoner to marry. Home Office rules have now been modifice on both issues.

But none of this in consolidated in British law an the Court of Appeal ruling of the Board of Visitors cas could at a future date he over turned by the Lords. The Prisoners' Rights Bill would no only make the Prison Rules er forcable by law but giv prisoners a right to know the Prison Rules; have legal advice in confidence; be represente at disciplinary hearings: know their category (eg appeal against it; have greated freedom of correspondence and the right to vote.

It would also write into the for the Home Office to break same statute the protections in the Bill of Rights 1688 against cruel and unusual nunishmen and in the European Convention against torture, cruel or degrading treatment.

How much support it attracts depends on acceptance of the view that prisoners have not only privileges but also rights. that in turn comes down to whether there should be a system within our system of justice which is a law unto itself.

Frances Gibb

#### View from Westminster

# Monetary policy under fire

any immediate impact on policy now depends on the Cabinet and Tory backbenchers. The outline decide not to continue its searchers and operators, of the argument in the report medium-term financial strategy. Among the seven ad is straightforward. The dif-ferent schools of thought on monetarism are distinguished. The treatment by each school of the major questions in monetary policy are considered in the light of the evidence in support of them, and of the

policy implications. money works primarily by damaging competitiveness since foreign exchange markets respond more quickly than do domestic wages and prices. The Government has chosen to tackle inflation in the United Kingdom by monetary policy Kingdom by monetary policy alone, From Treasury simulations on the Treasury model it. Given the Government's comtions on the Treasury model it Given the Government's com-appears that for each one per mitments and priorities, it good policy reflecting the come by which tightening money would be reasonable for them priorities of the policy maker; cent by which tightening money flation, there is a loss of output in money supply as well as in institutions. about 4 per cent of one year's national income, and unemployment for one year of 21 per

cent of the work force.

The loss is concentrated heavily in manufacturing indus-try. The effect to be expected from the Government's mediumterm financial strategy, and now emerging, is a reduction of about 8 per cent in the ongoing rate of inflation—but at the cost of losing £60 thousand million of output with 5m man-

The committee has given more serious and sustained attention to monetary policy than economic policy than the Cabinet. There can be apparent that no question of disloyalty or fence to offer.

Whether the Select Committee weakness on the part of the From the beginning the com-

mittee.
The Government may now as originally conceived. The money supply targets have been well and truly breached, manufacturing industry has been made uncompetitive, and However, in working with the monetary policy inquiry. Professor Marcus Miller made the outstanding contribution to the analysis. unemployment is causing great distress. Yet the Prime Minister says there is no alternative. The committee offers not just The report shows that tight one alternative, but a range of money works primarily by dam- alternatives, among which the

duce interest rates and take other supporting action to re-duce the exchange rate, if necessary at the cost of money supply targets; and so to bring about some measure of refla-

the beginning of the inquiry, the committee sent a questionnaire to witnesses plainly drafted to draw out the debate which has been going on at a technical level.

million of output with 5m manyears of unemployment.

The difficulties encountered since July in controlling the money supply and implementing the strategy lie not in any technical failures in the Bank of England, but in inherent incompatibilities between monetary targets, competitive banking, and freedom from foreign exchange control in an open economy, which cannot be remedied by monetary base control.

The difficulties encountered since July in controlling the memorandum with not a single figure or statistic in reply to the detailed questions. The Bank of England and most other witnesses took the questionnaire more seriously, uncovering the grave doubts about the cost effectiveness and practicality of the Government's policy which emerge in the Treasury did respond with a memorandum on the backa memorandum on the back-ground of the Government's economic policy, it became apparent that they had no de-

Report on Monetary Policy has Tory majority on the com- mittee had set the level of it work by seeking as advisers and witnesses the prime re-

> Among the seven advisers prime researchers it is ary to draw them not only from different schools of thought, but also from the different disciplines needed: the economic theorist who offers descriptions of behaviour; the econometrician with the techniques to build and test model; that fit the data and test the theory; the economy watcher with his finger on the pulse; the policy designer who can put together the model and the

institutions.

With the complexity of economic issues, the Treasury.

National Institute and London Business Schools emerged as important tools to be used critically in designing and testing policies.

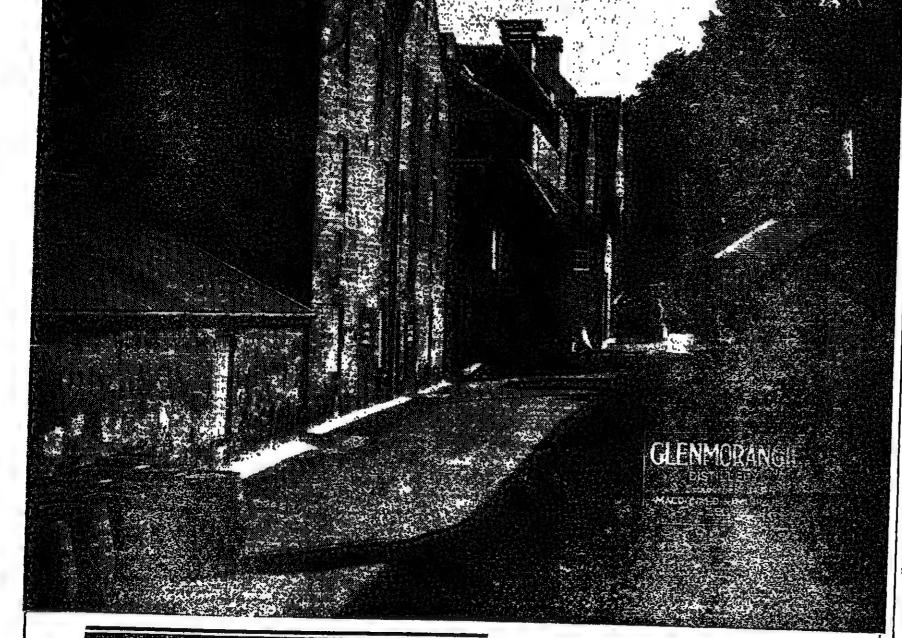
To rely on the accuracy of forecasts of a few aggregates to discriminate between models and theories is to accept a slow learning rate that may never catch up with changes in the economy and in the models. So uncritical are customers for forecasts in the press, and in industry and the City, that lack of testing makes the city, that lack of testing makes markets rather vulnerable to fashious in economic thought.

The report is open to criti-

cism, but it marks at least a start on a more disciplined design and testing of policy than has been customary in the circus-like atmosphere British economic debate.

Jeremy Bray

The author is Lahour MP for Motherwell and a member of the Treasury and Civil Service Committee.



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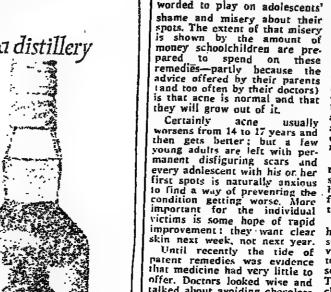
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Produced very slowly, using time-honoured, not to say old-fashioned methods, Highland Queen contains a very high proportion of malt whisky.

It is, in short, to ordinary blends what Glenmorangie is to ordinary single malts.



Until recently the tide of patent remedies was evidence that medicine had very little to offer. Doctors looked wise and offer. Doctors looked wise and talked about avoiding chocolare and pork and advised fresh air and exercise, exposure of the skin to sunlight, and the use of ultraviolet lamps. They prescribed all manner of lotions and creams, mostly based on sulphur, resorcinol, and salicylic acid. When none of this well-intentioned treatment halted the progress of severe acne they the progress of severe acne they drugs cause inflammation of the sometimes resorted to the use skin, with reddening and scal-

Out, damned spot Every magazine for teenagers of X-rays or some form of carries pages of advertisements

for acue lotions and skin clear-Nowadays something better can be offered, especially in severe cases. Research has improved medical understanding creams and gels, often worded to play on adolescents' improved medical understand-ing of the causes of acne, and specific, effective treatments are at last available. In addi-tion to the well-known hormonal influences and the overactivity of the skin glands that produce greasy sebum, two other factors are important: colonization of the skin with bacteria, especially Provini bacteria, ally Propionibacterium acnes, and the formation in the skin of chemicals that promote inflam-

Modern treatment is based on reducing the overactivity of the skin glands, attacking the hacteria, and blocking or modifying the chemical processes that cause inflammation.

that cause inflammation.

Unfortunately, treating acne has not become simple and straightforward overnight. The vigour of the treatment needs to be balanced against the severity of the skin disorder. The drugs needed for severe, chronic acne with deepseated cysts in the skin have side effects making them unjustifiable for most patients; and many teenagers with mild acne will probably need no medical treatment at all.

The simplest treatment is a

The simplest treatment is a lotion based on either benzoyl peroxide or retinoic acid. Both

ing, but after a few weeks they halt the development of new spots and so reduce the overall severity of the skin damage.

More persistent acne is best treated by a combination of a lotion and antibiotics to suppress skin bacteria. Two to four tablets of tetracycline are taken daily for six months; repeated Courses may need to be sixed. daily for six months; repeated courses may need to be given. This combination will deal with 80 per cent of acne sufferers. The remainder will need treatment to reduce the amount of sebum formed in their skin glands. Treatment with oral contraceptives may be effective:

or sebum formed in their skin glands. Treatment with oral contraceptives may be effective: or an antagonist to the androgen hormones may be used. The most effective drug, however, seems likely to be 13-cis-retinoic acid, a new variant of the retinoic acid found in many acne lotions.

The drug reduces by as much as 90 per cent the amount of sebum formed in the skin and changes its chemical composition, and within a few weeks the skin begins to clear. There are, however, side effects: the nose becomes dry and minor nose-bleeds may be a problem, while the skin becomes inflamed and fragile. Treatment cannot he continued indefinitely, but the henefits persist for as long as 20 months after the drug is stopped. Research trials are still in progress, and 13-cis-retinoic acid is not yet available on prescription.

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# GREEN IS NEUTRAL

The Rev lan Paisley is not the Nations especially, is partly common defence planning to only Irish politician who wants to shaped by its position of repel a possible Nazi attack on know exactly what is going on in the Anglo-Irish studies initiated hy Mrs Thatcher and Mr Haughey. In the Republic opposition leaders and some of Mr tt Haughey's own Fianna Fail party 're are jumpy about suggestions that A Ireland's neutrality falls under the rubric of "the totality of relationships within these . slands "which defines the scope of the studies. Nothing has been said that you can quite get hold of, but enough, coming from both sides, to alert suspicious minds. Tomorrow in the Dail Mr Haughey has an opportunity to

explain. Ireland's neutrality has been a fact of its life since the 1930s and has been tempered, you might 'ay, in the furnace of others' war. The Irish-sounding questionwhose side are you neutral on? -is still pertinent. As the Irish covernment sees it, the Republic is not ideologically, only militarily neutral. It has not joined the ranks of the non-aligned states. It is to be numbered among the nations of the West and specifically of western Europe, but as a non-combatant before combat anyway). Memhership of the European Community, which is of high importance to ireland, itself entails a political alignment, and it is freely conceded in Dublin that if the time comes when the EEC develops a defence dimension Ireland will have to go along with it. This distinguishes the Irish brand of neutrality from that of other European neutrals, Sweden, for example, considered joining the Community but decided that the political and possible defence implications of membership would not be compatible with her neutrality.

The Republic's role in inter-

The Polish authorities seem to be

losing their touch. They have

chosen an extraordinarily bad

moment to revive harassment of

dissidents and members of Solidarity. They are endangering

their fragile understanding with

the unions. They are risking a

new wave of strikes. They are

weakening their case with western governments and ban-

kers, who could well have second thoughts about pumping still more money into Poland if the

Polish government seems intent

When General Jaruzelski, the

Prime Minister, asked for threa

months of industrial peace from

February 12 he said he would use the time to engage in the

broadest possible dialogue with

the unions. He was offering a sort

of bargain, though he did not put it that way. He was saving that, if the unions would hold off, the

covernment would work in good

faith towards implementing the

agreements reached with them.

The unions have kept their side

of the bargain. They have called

no strikes and have been largely

successful in holding down con-

stantly simmering pressure for wildcat strikes. On one level the

novernment has also kept its side

of the bargain by continuing to

On another level something

else is now happening. Mr Jacek

Kuron, of the social self-defence

committee KOR, has been taken

into custody for a few hours and

on blowing the place up.

THE POLISH BARGAIN AT RISK.

neutrality. It enjoys a modest prominence on that stage which would not have acquired by being a tail-end member of Nato. The Irish by and large bask in the status of being neutral. It out consulting Ulster. De Valera fortifies the feeling of indepensaid no because he thought the dence. It perhaps saves something on defence expenditure. already swollen by the calls of internal security. And nuclear Ulster, Irish historians conclude. neutrality is felt by some to give. At any rate that piece of history the Republic's citizens a better chance of escaping the worst catastrophe of all.

These considerations, as well as a thread of ideological non-alignment found in the Irish Labour Party, contribute to the general sentiment in favour of neutrality and account for the disturbance on the surface of Dublin politics now that it appears to be called in question. But of course the historical reason for Irish neutrality in relation to Britain and her alliances is that Ireland has not finally settled its score with its neighbour and will not have so long as the island is partitioned. What Mr Haughey's questioners want to know is whether neutrality is a counter in a possible deal concerning Irish

Miss Sile de Valera, a member of the Dail and Mr Haughey's adjutant in the party coup that brought him to the top fifteen months ago, has indicated her approval for that possibility. The creation of a united Ireland, she said the other day, could lead to a reappraisal of Ireland's place in the defence of the West. When the proposition was put in concrete form to her grandfather in the summer of 1940 he rejected it. The Chamberlain Government tried very hard to ger de Valera to agree to British national affairs and in the United naval access to Irish ports and

warned that the long-standing

investigation against him is being

broadened to include the possi-

bility of more serious charges.

The nationalist group around Mr

Moczulski, who has been in prison for some time, has been

formally charged with attempting

the violent overthrow of the

system. A well-known reformer

has been expelled from the party.

And several members of Solidarity have been sacked from

leaders were pushed towards these moves during the party congress in Moscow last week.

The communiqué indicates that

there was some frank speaking.

It is also possible, however, that

some people in the Polish

appararus rook their cue straight

from Moscow without waiting to consult the Prime Minister.

If so, they are moving on to

dangerous ground. The leaders

of Solidarity are extremely sen-

sitive to any sign that the secu-

They know that if they allow the

process to start it will eventually

reach them. This is why they

have to take some notice of the

fate of Mr Moczulski although

they think his demand for Polish

independence is dangerously

gory. He is a member of Soli-

darity and close to Mr Lech

Walesa, its leader. To put him

Mr Kuron is in another cate-

irresponsible.

rity apparatus is being unleashed.

Probably the Polish party

jobs in Lodz.

Ireland in exchange for a British declaration in favour of Irish unity and the immediate establishment of a body to work out a new constitution. (All this withsaid no-because he thought the Germans would win, the War Cabinet believed: because he did nor trust Britain to deliver suggests that Ireland will not barter its neutrality with Britain before it has gained the essentials of national unity.

Britain's interest in the matter is rather less acute. There is more than one opinion about the value of an Irish defensive alliance-as distinct from cooperation in internal security. The extra reach air and naval forces would get from access to the territory of the Republic remains an important factor in the defence of the western approaches-depending. ever, on whether it is that sort of war for which precautions need to be taken. The soil of Northern Ireland anyway offers

a partial substitute, as before. Britain's other interest in this connexion is that Ireland should not come under hostile influence as a potential base for attack or subversion. That Cuban spectre would doubtless best be laid by the evolution of a peacefully united Ireland in membership of Nato. But since the spectre disturbs nobody's sleep it is not likely to be given a seat at the Anglo-Irish conference table. Mrs Thatcher's dismissive reply when asked on leaving Northern Ircland last week if a defence agreement was on the agenda probably reflects a lack of urgency regarding the matter in

lenge to Mr Walcsa. It would

also be extraordinarily foolish

because whatever anyone thinks

of his ideas he has been using

his influence to moderate

demands and discourage strikes,

even to the extent of being called

This points to the most

immediate danger now facing

Poland, which is not that the

Russians will suddenly invade

bur that the sensitivity with

which the present leadership has

been handling the situation will

falter because of internal dis-agreements and rash moves by

rivals for power. Then things

could fall apart quickly, for there

really is no alternative to the

no return and entered a new era.

There is only one-way the regime

by earning it through genuine

attempts to build on the present

methods cannot be revived with-

out inviting disaster and

frightening away the foreign

money which Poland so badly

needs. As Professor Richard

Portes put it in his study of

Polish indebtedness for the Royal

Institute of International Affairs:

real promise only if the party

and Solidarity, with the Church

in attendance, can reach a more

or less explicit accord on a

Re-scheduling the debt offers

fragile consensus. The

can regain authority and that is

Poland has passed a point of

present policy of compromise.

a traitor by augry students.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### UK power to decide for Canada

sage of the Canadian request will From Professor O. Hood Phillips, QC result only in creating even deeper divisions in Canadian society, and Sir. Lord Alport in his letter today (Murch 5) suggests that the United Kingdom Government should now that it intends to repeal section 7 of the Statute of Westminster before session. Such an amendment to the Statute of Westminster made by the United Kingdom Parliament, however, would be a breach of estab-lished and declared constitutional, convention if it were enacted other-

lished and declared constitutional. convention if it were enacted otherwise than at the request and with the consent of (both Houses of the Parliament of) Canada.

Incidentally section 7(2), extending section 2 to the Canadian Provinces and their legislatures, would need to be retained. Yours faithfully. O. HOOD PHILLIPS,

24 Heaton Drive. Edgbasson, Birmingham.

From Mr Leslie Millin Sir, For those of us born in the Sir, For those of us born in the United Kingdom but of Canadian citizenship, current developments regarding the Canadian Constitution are particularly palaful. Conversations with intelligent, perceptive friends in the United Kingdom lead me to feel that many Britishs do not fully appreciate the probable consequences of any more in Westsequences of any more in Westminster, however well intended, to block or alter whatever request is out forward by the Parliament of

No useful purpose will be served by tampering with what is sent forward. For better or worse the Parliament of Canada is just that; the legally elected body speaking for the legally elected body speaking for all Canadians. Of course there are differences of opinion, strongly held; but Canada is a representa-tive democracy, not a participatory democracy, a fact that those in Westminster would do well to

prejudicing relations between the two countries. You may rely upon it that delays or amendments in the United Kingdom will be serzed upon by extremist elements in Quebec as proof that they were right, and the electorate wrong, when the separa-the option was rejected in that province. The anti-monarchist mavement would be strangthened in the country as a whole What conceive able benefit is there to either country in that?

Yours faithfully. LESLIE MILLIN.
Park Lane Hotel, Piccadilly, W1. March S.

From Mr Tom McNally, MP for Stockport, South (Labour) Sir. I have a growing foreboding that the British Parliament is going to make a complete ass of itself over the matter of the Canadian Constitution Indeed I have already heard a colleague with impeccable radical credentials talking in all seriousness about the responsibili-ties of the imperial Parliament. As the Labour Paris knows to its

cost, politicians find a good coustle sistible. However I believe we would do grave damage to relations with Canada if the British Parliament started to delude itself that it has responsibilities beyond acquiescing to a legitimate request for cooperation from a sister sovereign parliament. To do otherwise would be to set us on a road fraught with

dangers.
If the Canadian people object to what Canadian legislators do on their behalf they will be able to have their say in a general election. That is their right and we should not usurp it. Yours sincerely.

TOM MCNALLY.

Reuse of Commons.

### Anything other than spendy pas-

From Mr R. H. Price
Sir. Your Economies Editor writes
(March 6) about the L-shape slump,
under a heading similar to that of
the "Economic Outlook" column of the February issue of Chief Execuwith the preparation of the latter article. In the course of writing it, at the beginning of the year, I won-dered whether we were seeing not an L-cycle but rather a side view of a dimiy-lit flight of stairs. This was excessively cynical; so too, having declared my own culpability, is reference now to an L-cycle.

Assuming no violent change in

Shape of the slump

the Government's fiscal stance the Budget we will very shortly have evidence of the beginning of rather slow growth of output. The initial engine of this hesitant upturn will be the end of destocking in much of industry, mildly supported by higher consumer spending, itself partly sustained by a lower personal savings ratio.

In time, a lower pound (? still

lower) combined with less irrespon-sible wage settlements will improveboth net exports and profitability. The latter will help to restore busiriess confidence, and so investment

intentions, And so we shall have not an L- but a U-cycle, very weak but still positive. Let Mr Blake remember this in, say, nine months' time, when the evidence of what is actually beginning to happen now will be much plainer.

What matters, of course, is whether this is good enough. David Blake rightly addresses himself in his article to the balance of priorities between; crudely, inflation, and growth. It is possible to agree with much of his analysis; and indeed with his conclusion. with his conclusion.

Good, healthy companies have been forced to take out soundlybeen forced to take out soundly-based capacity because of their chronic tack of competitiveness in a depressed world market. Much of this lack of competitiveness has resulted directly from government policies. The latter have almed to reduce inflation, and this has been achieved much more rapidly than reduce initiation, and this has been achieved much more rapidly than the Government expected. But the price has been a heavy one. So yes, now is the time to re-examine priorities. But 12 months ago would have been a much better time.

R. H. PRICE. Kingscot, The Parade, Monmouth. March 6.

#### Staying on course

From Mr Ray Whitney, MP for Wycombe (Conservative) Sir, Geoffrey Smith is certainly right to say (article, February 27) that our post-war failures stem from a mix of economic and political coudicions which is unique and which includes unusually powerful trade unions, an exceptionally large public sector and a weakness in cohesion and political

authority.

He might also have mentioned the contribution of Britain's media to the undermining of that authority and the baneful effects of the increasingly dominant position in the party of alternative government enjoyed by a handful of union oligarchs. Foreign observers, sobb oligarchs. Foreign observers, scho-used to believe that democracy-counted in this country even if efficiency might not, find this phenomenon particularly bizurre. And are there not other carriers and agents of the British disease, who can cause special damage to

Conservative governments — the safe preganisation men who might belong to the Reform or the the Athenseum and buy their shirts in Jermyn Street and who are found in County Hall and the National Heelth Service? They are urbane and experienced—and, too often,

deeply etnical and negative.
Worst of all, they fail to accomplish many of the tasks set them by those they disdain as their "politicel musters". Growth in the money supply is not brought under control, spending cuts are made to bring minimum relief to the public purse and maximum political harm, the Gevernment is led into a damaging, and totally unlooked for confronta-tion with the miners and is cleverly resisted in its efforts to reduce the state's role in the national economy. In his conclusion, Mr. Smith drew

a distriction between the public good and what is electorally advantageous and suggested that in recent years politicisus of all parties had favoured the latter. Insofar that this juxteposition is valid, in modern times we have surely had no Prime Minister less guilty of the no frime minister ress guirty of the charge of courling electoral popularity than Margaret. Thatcher. Indeed much of the pressure on her now is to do precisely that and "return to the centre", that placeboland where we have all wallowed for so long and where the Liberals and Social Democrats, with the support of many of the "safe" men, are inner conducting their section. now conducting their excited but nervous minuet.

Surrender to such pressure wouldentail the abandonment of the main thrust of the Covernment's original strategy and would indeed justify an accusation of sacrificing the public good. An over-expansionary Budget would pullify the sacrifices

made so far. There are a number of signs that the end of the recession is in sight the end of the recession is in sight but there is also a real danger of a resurgence of an even more destructive inflation over the next year or two. We should then be stuck firmly back on that old circuitous track described by Geoffrey Smith-with the oilference that we should be spiralling still more viciously downwards. Yours sincerely. RAY WHITKEY,

#### Contempt proposals

From Miss Harriet Harman Siz. If the Contempt of Court Bill receives the statute book in its present form, leaked newspaper reports about the riot in Wormwood Scrubs and programmes like Yorkshire Television's "The Secret Hospital" might not be possible. The Bill adds a dangerous new

dimension to contempt by extending its reach "to all inferior courts and tribunals which ... exercise any part of the judicial power of the

It was only bit by bit, during August, 1979, that news began to leak into the papers that many prisoners in Wormwood Scrubs had been hadly injured by 2 MUFTE (Minimum Use of Force Tactical Intervention) squad of prison officers. The Home Office volunteered no information and a prison visitor was sacked for speaking out. Even-tually the full story emerged and the public learnt, for the first time. the specially trained, mobile

MiFTI squad.
If the Comempt Bill had been low the facts might never have emerged. For inevitably after a disturbance, prisoners are charged and appear before the prison board. on Mr Geoffrey Howe carries a Hull and Wormwood Scrubs dis-big party responsibility comorrow. The Government's fare may be in clearly exercising judicial non-

Hull Board of Visitors case that when "dealing with disciplinary matters the duties of the board were judicial". So newspapers would be muzied until the hing process of boards of visitors' hearings had been completed. The position of the waser would be transfer. tion of the press would be fraught with uncertainty. How would they find out whether prisoners had been charged, or whether all the adjudications had been completed? They certainly could not rely on the Home Office to volunteer the

The Bill could also affect discussion of mental hospitals. Yorkshire Television's documentary "The Secret Hospital" no doubt raised issues which touthed on cases of patients about to appear before mental health review tribunals. Allegations of wrongdoing by nurs-ing staff could have been the subject of internal disciplinary proceedings.

At best the Bill would have a severe chilling effect at worst it prevent discussion. We know very little about what soes on in our prisons and mental baspitals. Gevernment's Contempt Bill would see to it that in future we kunw even less.

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Civil Liberties. 186 King's Cross Road, WCL

## Effect of charges on planning schemes

others.

Sir. The proposed introduction of charges for planning applications as a new source of local government revenue was opposed by bodies representing the professions, industry, and community groups on the principle that the planning system exists for the benefit of the community as whole rather than others community es a whole rather than

Doubts were also expressed about whether it was possible to devise a scheme of charges which would be both cost effective and equitable.
Despite this opposition the proposal was incorporated in the Local
Government Plauning and Land Act

the applicant

Regulations setting out the scheme of fees to be charged have now been laid before Parliament and if confirmed by the House of Lords on March 9, will come into effect on April 1, 1981.

We recognize the attempt made in the regulations to devise a practical and equitable scheme of charges. Nevertheless, the regulations confirm our fears about the inherent defects of any charging scheme.

The scheme is unlikely to be costeffective wand well have only marginal relevance to local govern-ment finance. The assessment and collection of fees will make addi-tional demends on staff at a time when the Secretary of State is encouraging clocal authorities to make more productive use of man-power, will divert professional resources from their role of facili-rating development, and will add to the time taken to process applica-

tions:
Criticism of the financial return cannot be met simply by increasing the proposed charges to Taise additional revenue. Apart from problems of evacion, enforcement and attendant costs, which could then be anticipated, charges would become a new financial burden on

From the Secretary General of the applicants and on development Royal Town Planning Institute and without any premicable means others

distinguishing charmes and other deserting cases.

Whatever the level of charges, it will always be chircuit to strike a balance between the different categories of development which will command general acceptance.

The interpretation and implementation of the regulations also raise certain important practical published lems and the serious and continuing difficulties which followed tile introduction of building regeletion charges only a year ago afford a cautionary and unfortunate precediant.

Notwithstanding the considerable offerts made to devise a workehie scheme, we therefore believe that the House of Lords would be well advised not to improve the regula-tions because of the inherent diffi-culty of this or, indeed of any other charging scheme, in recon-ciling cost-effectiveness, simplicity, equity and due observance of the

Yours faithfully, DAVID FRYER, Secretary General, The Royal Town Planning Institute. NICHOLAS, HINTON, Directors " National Council for Voluntary

Organisations..... PHILIP TAYLOR, Director, Company Affairs, Confederation of British Industry. P. K. HARRISON, Secretary, The Royal Institute of British Architects. PETER PURTON, Chairman,

The Law Society's Planning Law and Land Development Committee. ROGER HUMBER, Director, The House Builders Federation, KENNETH COOPER, Director General, National Federation of Building

Employers.
BARNEY HOLBECHE, Parliamentary Secretary,
National Farders' Union
The Royal Town Planning Justitute,
26 Portland Place, WI. March []

#### VAT on old buildings. From Lord Duncan-Sandus, CH, and

Sir, While all new building construction is exempt from value-added tax, restoration and rebablistation. work has to bear the tax at 15 per

This appreciably increases the heavy cost of repair of cathedrels, churches and historic houses, which are among our greatest cultural assets and tourist attractions. Like wise, the real value of govern grants for the enhancement of our historic towns and the improvement. of ordinary housing is correspond-ingly reduced. Delayed maintenance

can only result in much greater expenditure in years to come.

The freeing of restoration and tepair work from which added tex would be sourcely in line with joint recommendations made recently by

the British Government and the govche Council of Europa that the council of Europa that the restoration and moderalization of old buildings should be given assistance. comparable to that accorded to new CONSERUCTION.

We therefore earnestly urge that this unfair and damaging hunder should be removed and thereby using and eacourage the proper care and maintenance of our irreplaceable architectural heritage.

Jours faithfully,
DUNGAN-BANDYS, WENYSS,
GERALD LONDIN, GEONGE HIWARD,
DEBMAN, DIANA SEADER
CHRISTOPHERSON, STERRE,
HENRY MARKING, WOR BULLET,
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inspiring successes against the MPLA (Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola) regime, backed by Cubs and East Germany.

The policy advocated by the British in southern Africa is indeed the exact opposite of that which would serve the long ferm interests

of this country and the West. Priority englit to be given to sup-porting Savimbi and the FLNA (Angels National Liberation Front)

guerrilles in northern Angola, with the object of destabilizing the

Cuban and East German surrogate

position in that country and else-

where in Africa. A side-henefit would be to make life difficult not

for Savimbi (who is on our side), but for Sam Nujoma of Swapo (who

It is argued in support of the corrent British line that unless the

South Africans go along with the UN plan, incidentally endangering

UN plan, incidentally endangering their own security the UN will decree mandatory sauctions, and if we do not join in, we shall lose those dazzling contracts, with Nigeria. Well, perhaps we shall not. Nigeria needs Britain as much as we need Nigeria; and that country, along with Angola, Mozambique and others, does a nice line in trade with South Africa. What is certain, however, is that if we allow the Soviets to gain control over South Africa's strategic minerals. Nigerian or any other contracts will cease to be of much interest for the survival of the West

interest, for the survival of the West

will be at risk.

As for the argument that once in

is in the other camp).

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#### Objectives in Africa

From Mr Brian Crosler Sir, The danger of Soviet imperialism has been spelt our recently in unambiguous terms by President Reagan, his Secretary of State, Alexander Haig, and Mrs Margaret. Thatcher. At this time of danger, the only sensible guiding principle of foreign policy is whether a course of section is likely to advance

With these thoughts in mind, it advice to the Americans, during the recent summit talks in Wash ington, was to put pressure on South Africa to accept the United Nations plan for elections in Namibia, even though elections under such auspices would almost under such auspices would almost certainly bring Swapo, the rebel group, to power. In support of this thesis it was argued that a different course was likely to lead to further destabilization and in the end still bring Swape, by then

much radicalized to power.

The logic of this argument is elusive. It amounts to saying that to frustrate Soviet aims, we must help to bring Swapo, already a Soviet instrument, to power; failing which, Swapo will be still more hostile than it already is. Similarly, Neville Chamberlain argued that to

Neville Chamberian argued that to-prevent fitter becoming really, nasty, we had better hand him-Czechoslovakia. What, in fact, are the Soviet objectives in southern Africa?. They may be summed up briefly as. follows:

They may be summed up briefly as follows:

1. Bring Swapo to power in Namibia, thus completing the Isolation of South Africa.

2. Gain control of the important Aflantic harbour of Walvis Bay, which is South African sovereign territory but could easily be made untenable if Namibia were in Marxist hands.

3. In due course, mount terrorist operations against South Africa from Jambabwe, despite Mugabe's initial reluctance to welcome Soviet diplomats).

diplomats). 4. In the long term, gain control

over the mineral resources of South Africa.

There would be other, by no mean negligible, side-benefits to the Soviets from allowing Swapo in come to power. Life would be made difficult for the leader of the anti-Marxist guerrillas in southern Angola, Savimbi, who has scored

As for the argument that once in power Swapo can he made to be more reasonable, one can hardly suppose that it is meant to be taken seriously. In the real world, that is not the kind of thing that happens: Sadat and Siad Barre are exceptions to a grim rule. To back friends rather than anemies is a sound principle.

Sir, in the unfortunate period of American, history, now happily ended, the need for solidarity with Washington was advanced to justify support for the weak policies of the Carter Administration. An excellent principle. But there has been a change of team in Washington, and by the same token, we should back the tougher line of the new back the tougher line of the new

Yours very truly. BRIAN CROZIER, 112 Bridge Lane, Temple Fortune, NWIL March 3

#### Surrender to Japanese

Street St that the photograph they have was taken from General Yamashita's side "to spare General Percival's blushes ". This is, of course nonsense. The corporation cannot have looked

very far. The event was one of the most photographed drawn and painted moments in the entire war. and there are countless japanese reproductions of it. Your own, intidentally, doesn't show General Percival at all but one of his escort nor is this person "marching to the surrender teremony with General Tomoyuki Yamashira". The Japanese officer in question was Colonel Sugita, who still lives in

Tokyo and recalls the occasion very well. There is one particular pic-torial record of it in some detail in a printed collection of shots from Japanese newsreels, in the book Nihon Nyusu Eiga-shi (A History of Japanese Newsreel Documenturics), published in 1977 by Mamichi Shimbunsha.

Mainichi Shimbunsha.

It won't do; incidentally, though Percival was given an almost impossible task, to suggest the idea of a museum might "prompt wider knowledge of his role" since he "took command in Singapore only months before the Japanese invasion." In fact, in 1937, Percival was GSO1 on General Dobbie's staff in Malaya and prepared a detailed paper showing the defence problems and needs which was quite perceptive; so he knew very well what the issues were. Simply knowledge wasn't enough. LOUIS ALLEN

# David Wood

### Lime runs out for the Howestrategy

Nobody need be surprised that on Saturday a few television vans and crews, with a cohort of newspaper crews, with a conort of newspaper cameramen, happened to be passing through the Surrey village of Bletchingley when the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Lady Howe suddenly appeared and strolled, as is their habit, in to the bar of the old White Harte Inn. They ordered ale and lager, and were caught on film standing in front of a menu offering Budget pie and Cabinet pudding. Sir Gentfrey's lips were acaled, of course, except to ask where and how often the photographers wanted nim. There is another level for budget-

ary reflection. As Sir Geolfrey sipped his ale with a fine show of an untroubled mind, he must have known that the hopes of the Government and the Conservative Party in the next general election are riding on the Budget he will open in the Commons tomorrow. It is his third Budget, and electoral terms almost certainly it vill prove decisive. Hardly anyondy in politics believes that the Government could win a new lease of power in circumstances of rising or abnormally high unemployment, factory closures, liquidations and bankruptcies, high interest rates an over-valued pound, failing pro-

duction, non-growth, and all the rest of a black economic story.
This is an electoral, not an economic theme. If one had to say why the Conservative Party won the general election in May, 1979, the answer would have to be that workers and their wives deserted Labour in droves to join the hedrock Tories. Their reasons were no doubt complex. They had, for example, lost faith in ctatisme, in the social contract between the Labour govern-ment and trade unions, in a public

sector publishely carried by the private sector, in public numership as against private and individual numership, in controls as against freedom in money that continually lost its value. They were ready for a change and to take a chance and Mrs Thatcher offered both.

Today there must be few of those Lalonur electors who would stand by their voting conversion of May, 1979. They are presumably on their was back to the Labour Party, or telling opinion polls that they will consider voting next time for a. Social Democrat-Liberal alliance. But the loss of the Conservative Party's 1979 converts is not all. No less, the core of the Conservative rote is being eroded. Industries and businesses large and small begin to feel the pinch of monetarist policies, and the squeaks of the CBI and small businessmen drown the

protests of the TUC.

There is not much electoral point in saving, and Conservative politicians can sav, that there is a world trade recession from which Britain cannot stand immune, or that if only the Government were allowed enough time then everything would come right. The fact is that after nearly two years of Thatcherism voters now expect to see results, and the Chancellor, apart from his first Budget, has few results to show other than a falling inflation rate that should be expected in a

time of recession.

Increasingly, even within the Conservative Party, the conclusion spread that the prescription has not worked, and that there is now not enough time for it to work in be any use for saving marginal or near-marginal seats when the general time of recession.

state to assume responsibility for industry and business, for job creation, for taxing efficient Peter to pay inefficient Paul. Reflation and state intervention are again the political watchwords. The CBI and the TUC are nearly at one. Some Conservative backbenchers are scarcely distinguishable from Labour backbenchers. The electoral mood that produced Mrs Thatcher's

on trial would be a direct chal-

ral election comes.

Ominously, as Mrs Thatcher will be the first to note, there is a general revival of the call for the famous victory in 1979 wanes fast, although it is plain that Mrs Thancher herself, or her Chancelor, serious economic and political stabilization programme." could not renounce the principle state withdrawal from industrial and business decisions that lay at heart of the 1979 economic

Strategy. For the Government, then, unin his budget tomorrow, time begins to run out for Conservative politicians who hope and pray that within two years, without cor todg-ing over North Sea revenues or U-jurns, Mrs Thatcher's thesis will be vindicated for all to see.

Meanwhile, what of the Labour Opposition's challenge to the Garernment? Within two or more years time nabady may be sare how serious the breakaway of the social Democrats, and their possible alliance with the Liberals, with prove to be. Some seats may be lost here and there by the Libbar and Conservative Parties, withough on the whole the remapping of constituency boundaries could turn out to be more disturbing. The party constitutional fuse about the leadership election, though, wal probably have little or no electoral impact when the day comes.

Mr Michael Foot is certainly entitled to feel that he has been unfortunate in the timing of his election as party leader. Yet not in all respects. A political remembrish on the whole the remagning of all respects. A political remainible like him, not to say at old-fashioned non-conformist ranger, could scarcely have superimposed

upon events a selection of electoral themes more favourable to his gifts and limitations. He has three marvellously weally subjects that he can hammer on every platform he visits from now until polling day; abnormally high unemployment, witherwood from the EEC into Restant's cost socialist island, and nuclear distributions. Sound Conservative indeed accept that these are, and will continue to be, profoundly emotional political subjects of the kind Mr Foot Is good at and well practised in, and consequently they are difficult to handle simple and rationally at

will need no teaching how to do

election time. The emotion aroused

by one may easily be made to run over into another, and Mr Fron

# Stock Exchange Prices Capitalization and week's change

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he Duke of York's headquarters. Cheisea, on Saturday.

From The Times of Thursday, March 8, 1956

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The last camp for Jewish displaced persons in Germany is shortly to be closed and its 640 inhabitants will move to new houses.

By the Staff of Natura

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A strategy that promises well for improving the efficiency of hepatius varcine has been reported by a team at the London school of histone and Tropical Medicine. The method applied by Professor A. J. Zuckerman and his colleagues should be equally effective whether the acrive part of the vaccine is prepared from virus from a collection of the professor with the collection. The professor was not cultured cells or from lengifically engineered bacteria. Highly purified and instituted.

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The engagement is announced between Colin, son of Mr and Mrs Charles Yates, of Exeter, Devon, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs Nicholas Chapman, of Sand-ford Orcas, Sherborne, Dorset. Marriages

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Special Forces Club The annual general meeting of the Special Forces Club Will be field in the 21st SAS Driff Hall, Block D. Duke of York's Headquarters, King's Road, Chelsea, SW3, on Thursday, April 23, 1981, at 6.30. held a dinner ut the Park Lane Hotel on Saturday. Sir Denis Truscott, president, presided accompanied by Lady Truscott,

> Premium bond winners The winning numbers in the weekly draw for £100,000, £50,000 and £25,000 Premium Savings Bond prizes, announced on Satur-

day are: £100,000: SXB 304048 (the winner comes from Surrey): £50,000: 7LW 355451 (Norwich): £25,000 25RN 019628 (West Midlands).

and of the war there were as many as 250,000 European Jews who had escaped the gas chambers but lost their homes and livelihood and therefore had to be accommodated in camps. If placed persons in Germany is be accommodated in camps. If this great number has now been inhabitants will move to new homes in Germany or other countries. A year or two after the of Israel opened its doors

Science report

Medicine: Improving hepatitis vaccine

Zuckerman and his colleagues have therefore used a complex of two purified polypeptides, fragments of protein, extracted from the surface coat of the hegating virus. To make those polypeptides immunologically effective they have processed them by a technique developed a few years ago. Essentially the technique folds the thread-like polypeptides into structures such that the insoluble fraction points inside and the soluble fraction points outside, with the resulting advantage that the polypeptide is then soluble in water.

When the structures, known

When the structures, known

as micelles, are examined under

the electron microscope, they

appear as sponge-like clumps

of protein material. Professor Zuckerman is hopeful that they

will have the further advantage

of acting as their own adjuvant.

With many vaccines the anti-

gen has to be administered

together with a component that

boosts the immunological reaction to the required level.

Micelles seem to preclude that

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ensures that the maximum of

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# SOCIAL NEWS The Duchess of Kent will arrived Variety Clab; Carbon Scale State State

work the opening of an additional in the Catholic Revold, conser-Voting circles in the Varigan are becoming uneasy about the constant emphasis of Pope John Paul II on the immerality of congreception. It is not that they disagree with the party they disagree with the party from the following address 15 Wedhandle following following following the following address 15 Wedhandle following address 1

Although there is more than a year to an before he is due to visit Eritain, there is nervousness here, too. The one thing the English Roman Catholic Church needs least, it is said, is a papal visit which will draw attention to the birth control

It is not difficult to find Pomen Catholic churchman in Bettain who will refer to the annulling poverty and social chaos in the Philippines caused

traception, and shake their heads. In some, it has become a pain too deep to express.

World trading policies, ideo-lic, but it is certainly said in logical repression of the left or private.

Which supported monetarism, right, the greed of rich land-lit is commonly accounted and conditions of the left or private. a pain too deep to cap.

When he speaks on human rights and social justice, the Pope acticulates brilliantly the bushings of these for whom Christianity's wordly face is about that, and little else. There is the pre-eminent population. It is not an his list, and he carries some of the responsibility for it. faith, of worship, prayer, and reflection; but as it impinges on the world it is about man's inhumenty to man, and how to

nouncement, can add or subtract hundreds of millions to the total of mouths to be fed 50 years on, and add or subtract an equivalent quantity of human suffering. For all the good will and interdenominational cultural tolerance with which the papacy can be regarded, now that compulsive anti-papistry has retreated to inspection. the fringes of Western civiliza-yet the Pope as spokesman tion, it is still hard to treat for this passion for justice, the the present pape as other than an ambivalent moral force, as capable of as much evil as

one man who can command an am am world beadlines and move capable governments, also has this disqualifying obsession (as it seems to many, some in his bowl chairs. At least that seems to be how he is regarded in English Christianity, Roman Catholic as much as non-Catholic, it may not be police to say so in pub-

group of predominantly con-servative curial efficials in the Vatican, who tell him what they think he ought to know. It is is will react his own way. It married life to official church will, undoubtedly, be an honest bodies, such as the Roman and bold reaction, fair but outsnoken comment on the facts as received.

If those facts have been carefully selected to serve a parti-cular set of interests or projudices, then the Pope will be far off the rails without even knowing it. Unfortunately, in the case of birth control, the manipulation of factual evi-dence has become a Roman Catholic habit, almost a reflex, an unconscious selection of what serves the argument, rejecting what unsettles it. It is as if Whitehall provided the

It is commonly accepted, and and which demonstrated that i probably true, that most of the the chosen implementation of Pope's relationship with the minetarist principles was the world is in the hands of a small correct one.

These with reservations about married life to official church year.

that that happened. A hook that information filter stands the policy will be banned (as has happened). And on the far side of that information filter stands the Pope, him-

#### **OBITUARY**

#### MR FRED LOADS Radio gardener with the common touch

Mr Fred Loads, who as the papel line on contraception | founder member of the BBC have been moved further from redio programme, Gardeners' the throne; one who expresses Question Time, disseminated a an arrangement which is sale doubts will not be promoted; wealth of gardening wisdom and what they tell him can be official view will be either down the country for over 30 manipulated with the same case. A pope who is his own married people are related at the weekend at token married people are related at the weekend at token married people are related of from the programme only last

Syned last carntan, they will be man, but his voice had taken carefully selected. He was by birth a Norfolk syaco assection, they want be man, but his voice had taken carefully selected.

If a grouping such as the from his long years of residence English pasterial congress at there, first in Burnley and Liverpool, enpresses his contact there, first in Burnley and Liverpool, enpresses his contact there, in an official glass will be seen to first and official glass will be seen inflections which seemed the property of the particular and the form

self at least hati-conditioned to reject what does not fit into the cifical picture. It would be a brave man who challenged it.

Sowerbutts as the authority on market gardening (both are of course will in harness). course still in harness), Fred Loads was the all rounder. Aud it was his ability to think about the problems of the complete beginner contemplating the tillage of a scrap of back garden in a terrace cottage in Wigan, which made such a contribution to the extraordinary popularity of the programme.

Fred Loads was born in Worstead, Norfolk. His father had been a gardener but the young Fred Loads's first ambition was to be an electrician. The sheer rusticity of his childbood sovironment-far in both something in common with the distance and time from any advanced notions of electrical power—put paid, however, to this aim and be learnt about the secrets of the soil as his father counsel always appeared to had done before him. His first acknowledge the realities of the professional wage was 3s 6d a

week.

He saw army service with the Norfolk Regiment but this row of beans, were all worth merely increased his fund of his consideration. And he did gardening knowledge. In the fulness of time he became Regimental Gardening Instructional devices—the carpet shampoon. for many strange horticultural applying weedkiller—with the apparitions in the regions of listener, the world visited by the regions of listener, above all, perhaps, he gave ment on service. He induced the impression of liking plants, Bagbdad racecourse.



tributed to gardening broadcasts in the late war years, but it was in 1947 that the programme which eventually carried his name to well over a million listeners was created by the BEC in Manchester, It later became one of the first programmes to break out of the Northern Region to become a national institution.

As a contributor to the programme Fred Loads was quite capable of thinking big if need was. But his great virtue as far as many listeners were concerned, was his ability to hink small, an ability his own small garden in the Lune Valley near Lancaster. A garden which he had designed to be maintainable in two and a half hours per week was one which immediately gave him non specialist pardener, coping with work, family and a thousand other cares of the same time. Loads's homely average person's enistency. The merest postage stemp of a cabbage patch, the wretchedest row of beans, were all worth tor of the Norfolk Regiment and for running hormone solution in that capacity was responsible into a lawn, the paint brush for

onions to grow in the Nilghiri and this affection spilled over Hills of Southern India, intro- onto his listeners who perbars duced mulberry bushes to Adea came insensibly to the original and among other things, super- too, that the most satisfying vised the laying out of the results were, in the end, to be obtained from a knowledgeable After leaving the army he sympathy with the contents of continued gardening, widening their own gardens.

Loads is survived by a widow all over Britain. He first con- and two daughters.

#### MR GEORGE GEARY

Mr George Geary, the Leicea-tershire cricketer and a leading all-rounder for England be-tween the wars, died on March

Eldest of 16 children of a bootmaker, he was born on July 9, 1893, in Barwell, 15 miles from Leicester, to which he would cycle daily, roll the ground and bowl all day, returning by cysle to roll the Barwell ground before dark.

He played first for Leicester-shire in 1912. Ewart Astill, a name for ever associated with his, and be were two of the his, and be were two of the four survivors from the pre-First World War era still playing in 1938 when Geary retired. His calent for detecting ability with his sharp brown eyes and his flair for coaching were unsurpassed. He was at Charterhouse 1939-58 (P. B. H. May, currently president of the MCC and chairman of the ICC, was one of his products) and at age 57 went to Rugby where he stayed until he was 76.

Always bowling in a cap, his

Always bowling in a cap, his best performance in an innings was 10 for 18 in 1929 against Glamorgan (16 for 96 in the match), the most remarkable figures before Verity's 10 for

As he aged, his batting improved; he scored three centuries out of his total of seven in his last season. Geary was one of the best slips in the

record for endurance in Test-cricket in Australia with 81 overs in an innings. He was made an honorary life member of MCC. All his distinguished performances and dedication apart, the most last-ing impressions for the humble

Barwell villager were tiger-hunding, eating off gold-plate and residing in suites in maharajahs' palaces. Recently a George Geary, stand was named after him at the Leicestershire county

his best performance was 66 runs and five for 25 at Sydney: with his medium-pace leg-cutters he headed the bowling averages. In the final Ashes-winning Test la sweltering heat, at Melbourne, Geary created a record for endurance in Test.

Geary in the 1930s.

#### MR MICHAEL FROSTICK

Mr Michael Frostick, the well known motoring journalist, author and broadcaster, and Chairman of the Guild of Motoring Writers since last December, was killed with his wife in a car crash in France last week while returning from the Geneva motor show. He was 63.

motor car—he will perhaps acknowledged expert in the best be remembered by his valuation of veteran and hiswidesr audience for his forthright, pungent and often amusing comments on car design and performance in his role of co-presenter and reporter throughout the eleven year run of the BBC2 television pro-

A brilliant speaker with an ever alert mind, his counsel was sought widely in the motoring field, and among his more recent activities he was a member of the Advisory Council of the National Motor Museum at Beaulieu, and secretary and treasurer of the British Chapter of the Society of Automotive Historians. He was also an

toric cars.

Born on October 26, 1917, he was educated at Brighton College and later at the Sandhurst Military Academy and served as a captain in the Royal Dragoons during the Second World War.

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# art mystery By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

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A lost painting by Adam Elsheimer, the influential German artist who was working in Rome around 1600, is to be sold by Christic's on April 10. It is "5 St Helena questions the Jew" and

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Injustice can be caused by many things: unfair First

**Paintingsale** 

sroun.! 1600, is to be sold by Christic's on April 10. It is "St Helena questions the Jew" and comes from a seven-panel tabernacte: the other panels are owned by the Franklurt Stadelisches Kunstinstitut. Its discovery by Christic's in Australia last year completes an extraordinary art detective story.

The very existence of the tabernacle (which depicts "The Finding and Exaltation of the True Cross") had been forgotten until 1927. In that year Mr J. A. F. Orthaan published an article in Apullo Mugatine on documents he had found in the Medici archives in Florence
When a monograph on Elshelmer was published in 1936 by Heinrich Weitzscker, a sketch of the altarpiece by Ludovico Cigoti had also been discovered. The book, however, still assumed that all the panels were lost, although one was illustrated in the book

That was "Heracilus carrying the Cross", in the possession of Sir Alec Martin, a former chairman of Christic's. In 1938 another panel, "The Giorification of the Cross" was sent for sale at Christic's was sent for sale at Christic's was sent for sale at Christic's by the Duke of Norfolk; it was bought by Colnaghi's allowed the director of the Frankfurt museum to take the painting back to Germany on approval. The outbreak

director of the Frankfurt museum to take the painting back to Germany on approval. The outbreak of war halted negotiations but afterwards Colnaghi's asked the museum whether it wished to proceed with the purchase.

It was only in 1952 that Weizsäcker published the accound part of his book identifying the painting as the centre panel of the lost alterpiece. Sir Alec Martin's panel was still not recognized; but in attarpiece. Sir Alec Martin's panel was still not recognized; but in 1985, through the agency of Colnaghi's, it went to join the central panel in Frankfurt.

In 1970 the story was taken up by Malcolm Waddingham and Christopher Wright in the Burling-

Latest wills Bequests to youth

organizations Viscount Amory, of Tiverton. Devon, Chancellor of the Lachequer 1958 to 1960, left estate valued at £464,784 net. He left £5,000 each to Blundelis School. Tiverton, and the London Federation of Boys' Clube, £3,000 each to Devon Boy Scouts Association, the YMCA National Council, Voluntary Service Overseas, and Tiverton Museum, and £1,000 each to Exeter University. Devon Federation of University, Devon Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs and the Drake's Island Adventure Centre. Other estates include fact, before

duty paid):
Crerar, Mr Alexander, of Birkdate,
Merseyside
Dawes, Mrs Hilda Lilian, of Paignton
£188,566
Fothergill, Miss Maud Marian, of
Ripon, Yorkshire
£182,408

from micelles has been tested

for its immunological efficiency

in mice. It turned out to be more efficient in raising anti-bodies against bepatitis than did a vaccine prepared from

purified virus particles. Such studies are being repeated in

primates, together with other tests to see how much pro-

tection micelles confer against

A British patent has been taken out on the micelles, which will offer equal advantage when hepatitis antigen is

available from bacteria genetic-

ally engineered to produce it.

Professor Zuckerman and his colleagues feel that they have developed the basis for what has become known as a second-

generation vaccine, an im-

proved way of giving protec-tion against a troublesome

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Nature-Times News Service

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ton Magazine; they reported that the second wing, depicting the "Embarcation of St Helena" had been found in a private house in Ireland. Two mooths after the publication of the article, an Englishman took two tiny paintings he had found in the outhouse of his home to Christie's for identification; they were the first of the four tiny predella panels at the bottom of the altarpiece to be discovered.

In 1978 another of the predelta panels was spotted by Jack Baer panel was spotted by Jack Baer by Jack Baer panel of Hazitt, Gooden and Pox in a Bonham's auction. It was described as "seventeenth century Italian title four tiny predella panels at panel on the missing list."

Hugh Clayton

European currencies

fail if the British Government reduced the "tax".

The tax is a levy which protects British farmers from being under-cut by their counterparts in the rest of the Community when ster-ling strengthens against other European currencies.

Mr Walker argued that the tax

Mr Walker argued that the tax was extracted not from the pockets of British shoppers, but from the profits of exporters abroad. He adduced in evidence for that the fact that when the "tax" had operated in reverse under the Labour Government, there had been no relationship between its size and the movement of retail food prices.

In those days sterling was weak against other currencies, so that the EEC "tax" operated as a subsidy to bring the prices of food from abroad down to the levels operating in Britain. The purpose of the system is to achieve equal competition among food suppliers and to meet the requirement of the Treaty of Rome for a common market in agricultural produce.

Mr Walker stated that if there

Mr Walker stated that if there was a direct relationship between food prices and the EEC "tax" they would have moved in unison in the past. The fact that they

of St John Ambulance Brigade, London (Prince of Wales's) District, Edwina Moumbatten House, 4.

Today's engagements

The Queen and the Duke of

Edicourgh attend Common-wealth Day observance service, Westminster Abbey, 2.55, and Commonwealth Day reception, Mariborough House, 6.15.

But once more Christie's luck and skill has tracked it down. A

and skill has tracked it down. A photograph of the tiny pariting, measuring only 15 by 15.5 cms, was sent to London by its Australian representative. It was Gregory Martin, grandson of Sir Alec and now one of Christie's Old Master experts, who realized what it was. Nothing is known of how it reached Australia.

did not do so then meant that Farming and food they would not do so now. Clearly, the minister had kept his officials busy in devising arguments to busy in devising arguments to support his case.

But in arguing from the state of affairs of the mid-1970s to that of the early 1980s, Mr Walker ignored the immense changes in currencies, prices, demand and market shares that have occurred in recent years.

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It is as if a barrister defending a prisoner accused of theft were to say: "My chent always wears green socks. Police records show that nobody convicted of a theft of this type hos been found to wear green socks. My chent is therefore innocent."

Mr Hughes tried gallantly to press the minister, but failed to undertune his arcument. Mr Walker defily turned it round by asking the Opposition spokesman an embarrassing question. "I am eagerly anxious that he should say by how much he wants to revalue the green pound". Mr Walker said. Mr Hughes did not give a direct answer.

He also omitted to press Mr

world.

Playing five times against
Australia in England, usually
getting runs as well as wickets,
he toured South Africa 1924-25,

India 1926-27, Australia 1928-29 stand was name and West Indies 1932. After breaking his nose in the first cricket ground.

The Prince of Wales, accompanied by Lady Diana Spencer, attends recital in aid of the Royal Opera House Development Appeal, Goldsmiths' Hall, Foster Lane, Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, patron of Riding for the Dis-abled Association, attends lun-cheon, Saddlers' Hall, 1. The Duchess of Charcester attendy preview of Daily Mail Ideal Home Exhibition, Earls Court, gramme Wheelbase.

A prolitic writer—he was the author of 34 books on various aspects of motoring and the

Chairman of the GLC artends Commonwealth Day reception, Marlborough House, 6.

He also omitted to press Mr Walker about the Coverament's policy by those most closely affected by it. Food importers insist that it has been food entered to the coverament's policy by the coverage of the c

kept ford prices up as a device to protect the incomes of British farmers. But the farmers' unions insist that it has falled to prevent

their incomes from failing sharply.

Mr Walker can thus be criticized for keeping cost of food tonnecessarily high for a purpose which he has failed to fulfil.

The Duke of Edinburgh, as parron and trustee of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, attends award scheme's Z5th anniversary Commonwealth Ball, Grosvenor House Hotel, 8.20.

# Parliamentary diary

Consolidated Fund (No 2) Bill brought in and road a first time Advormment debate about dyslexia. Hauss advormed, 10.36 pm.
Mar 6: 200 licensing (No 2) Bill. Licensing (Alcohol Education and Kealers, 18th and Local Covernment and Plathing (Amendment) Bill all read a second time. Debate on Small Firms Espansion (Inquire) Bill socond reading adjourned. Advormment debate about treatment of late Matthew O'Lara in pendardile Prison. (Marse) adjourned. 5 1 pm.

(Vinerals) Rill, report, House adjour-ned, 7.57 pm.

House of Commons

Select committees
Today: Education, science and aris,
Subject: Public and Private Funding of
the Aris, Vinnesses: Lord RedefilleMaude, 181 4.00 pm; Theatres National
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Public accounts, Subject: Measuring
the effectiveness of regional locentives,
winesses: Sir Peter Carey, Permanent
Secretary, Department of Industry: Dr
R. G. L. McCenne, Secretary, Scottish
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P. Hughes, Permanent Secretary, Welsh
Other, Room 16, 4 pm.
Wednesday: Foreign allars, Subject;
Foreign allatts matters, Wilms, Lord
Carrington, Secretary at Sate Foreign
and Commonwealth Affairs, Room 15,
10 pm.
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Secondary School Curriculum and Evaminations, Wilmesses: Trades Union Congress 1st 10.50 am; Confederation of British Industry (at 11.50 am; Room 8, 10.50 am; Confederation of British Industry (at 11.50 am; Room 8, 10.50 am; Industry and Trade, Subject: Effects of the British Steel Corporation's reported plan, Wilmes: Mr In Macgroger, Room 16, 10 and Mr In Macgroger, Room 16, 10 and Public Accounts, Wilmes: Sk British Cubbon, Pormanent Under Secretary, Homo Office, Room 16 and Secretary, Homo Office, Room 16 and Secretary, Homo Office, Room 16 and Employment Group, Wilmesses: The Training Services Division, Manapower Services Communistion Room 8, 4.30 pm.

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House of Lords

Committee report on rights of residence.
Tomorrow at 2 30 Wildlife and Countryside Bill. report (first day).
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Thursday at 3 Industry Bill. third reading. Wildlife and Countryside Bill. report 1 second day. Town and Country Planning (Minerals). Bill. third reading. Select committees

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# MP fails to shake minister on EEC 'tax'

Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, denied last week that there was an EEC "tax" on food witch is imported to Britale from other Community countries. "Do get it right", he told Mr Mark Hughes, Labour MP for Durham, at a meeting of the Commons Select Committee on the European Communities.

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Mr Hughes, an Opposition spokesman on farming and food, had oblightely continued the tradition followed by the Opposition since the 1979 general election of allowing the Government to continue its food policies virtually without interruption.

Mr Hughes began with a show of strength. He pawed the ground with convincing menace, snorred magnificently and tharged at the minister. "When you argue that the French are in error and in wickedness", he asked, "does not your tongue stick in your throat when you are doing absolutely the same?"

Moments later he lay in a heap sgainst the timbers at the far side of the arena. Mr Walker emerged from the eucounter virtually unscathed, and most of the searching questions put by Mr Hughes's aft Walker dodged Mr Hughes's

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Mr Walker dodged Mr Hugnes's sallies by dancing almbly across the gaps between sterling and the European currency unit, and between prices paid to farmers and those paid in shops. He rejected claims from suppliers in the rest of the EEC of food to Britain that their prices would

Lord Mayor of London The following are some of the Lord Mayor's engagements this Lord Mayor's engagements this week:
Today: Attends Commonwealth
Day observance service. Westminster Abbey, 3.
Tomorrow: Attends Bridewell
service, St Bride's, Fleet Street,
BOON.
Wednesday: Attends Guardian
Young Businessman of the Year
award luncheon, Mansion House,
1: visits Pewter Trade Fair,
Pewterers' Hall, 3.15.
Thursday: Attends presentation of
first and box for Lord Mayor's
Rolls-Royce by the Commissioner

House of Commons

Mar 2: Statement by Prime Minister on her visit to the United States. Greener London Council (General Propers) 1902.

2: Bill read the Lind time and passod. Contonue of Court Bill read a second time by 137 votes 25. Advantages of Court Bill read a second time by 137 votes 25. Advantages of the council by 156 votes 25. Advantages of the council by 156 votes 10 248. Motion prison, protest. Dons (Control Bill read a first time. Government motion in the independent strategic desortent carried by 316 votes to 248. Motion to approve Town and Dannity Planning (Fees for Applications and Desende Applications). Regulations carried by 127 votes to 89. Adjournment donate about the decision of the Nature Conservancy Council to decise Crisan Mosa in Regulation of the Nature Conservancy Council to decise Crisan Mosa Maryill 2 site of special scientifications. House adjourned 12.34 am (Wednesday).

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Mar 5: St. Sement on Civil Service disrule, Billish Railways Bill read the
third time. Opposition motion on
cuts in education rejected by 294
votes to 253 and Government amendment agreed to. Motions on defence
and civil catimates agreed to and

House of Lords

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March 2: Statement about the Prime
Ministor's usit to the United States.
Supreme Court Rill passed the committee stane. Debate on European
Communities Controlline report on the
environment. Hotier adjourned 9.6 pm.
March 3. Statement on Northerts Irrland prisons protest. Redundancy Fund
Bill read the third time and passed.
Maximum Number of Judges Order
agreed to. Water Bill read a second
time. Industry Bill passed the committee stage. Trees replanting and
Repiscrement. Bill passed the report
slage. Pet Animals Act 1931. Amendment! Bill read the inject time and
possed. Debate on privatuation of ecrlain local authority fluthloss. House
adjourned, 7.1 pm.
March 3: Debate on lavels of unemployment in the regions, House adlourned, 10.58 pm.
March 5: Landon Trampoet 1No 2:
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Assembly Electrons Bill passed the
committee stage. European Communities
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Parliamentary notices

House of Commons
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Transport Bill. Motion on the Appropriation (Northern Irsiand) Urder.
Tomerrim at 2.50: Budget. Motion on
Local Covernment. Planning and Land
Northern Ireland: Order. Private BillBritish Killways (No 2: Bill. second
reading.
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Continuation of budget debate
Friday at 9.50: Private Members'
motion on the clificis on London of
the Government's aconomic. housing
and social policies.

Select committees
Tomorriw: Science and Tochnology subcommittee 1. Science and Government.
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Form Insurance Brokers European Committee and Automobile Association 4 pm.
Wednesday: European Committees subcommittee C effuencing, Emologment
and Social Alfairs: Evidence from
nanagement consultants on chalogue
participation in assat Immerton. 11 am.
Thursday: European Communities subcommittee D 'Agriculture, Food and
Consumer Alfairs). Evidence from
NFU on feen prices for 1981-824, 10,50
2006.

# Consultancy in the recession

Martin Vandersteen, this year's chairman of the Manage-ment Consultants Association, reckons that the nature of the business has changed substantially since he came into it 20

Time was when the managefrom a strange planet, thinking and talking in a language quite different to that of the earthbound industrialists and traders who employed his services who amployed his services when driven to it by dire necessity. Now, he says, clients are quite likely to use their management consultants as a pool of labour, highly trained but basically complementary to their existing staff on which their existing staff, on which they can draw when the pressure is on.

That, he thinks, reflects the fact that clients have become very much more sophisticated in their approach, so that they now employ internally the sort of techniques that were pecu liar to the management consultant 20 years ago. And, because companies are now re luctant to employ staff to cope with peak periods when it might be difficult and/or ex-pensive to shed them when demand declines, it is a trend

he can see accelerating.

Not that the old-style, trouble-shooting consultant has passed into oblivion. On the contrary, he is almost as much in demand as ever, though the nature of his client has changed. According to members of the Manage-ment Consultants Association, demand has held up surpris-ingly well over the past year, and while the number of consultants may have declined slightly—by perhaps 5 per cent, according to Mr Vandersteen this is largely a result of underrecruiting. Certainly, he says, there has been nothing remotely like the shakeour of 1972.

The worst of the downturn

has been overseas, reflecting the impact of a stronger pound. In the United Kingdom, of course, demand from manufacturing industry is in some respects well down, because attempts to improve production



Mr Martin Vandersteen, chairman of the Management Consultants Association : providing a highly trained pool of labour.

and marketing have been postponed, and large-scale construc-tion projects that might otherwise have required appraisal have simply been shelved.

As against this, however, there is if anything a stronger demand for consultancy on ways to improve efficiency and cash flow, and data processing work is "resource bound"—that is there simply are not enough trained consultants to undertake the work on offer. Faced with rapidly deteriorating conditions, British management seems to have been converted wholesale to the view that more rapid access to more information cannot hinder and might help.

Demand for consultancy services from the few relatively healthy sectors of the British economy—oil and gas, the financial sector, and distribution and retailing—is holding

Demand from central government is down, but from local government, curiously enough, it is well up-well up because the local authorities are desperate for methods of improving their financial controls, and of they are providing value for

So one way and another the management consultants seem to be coming through the re-cession in reasonable shape. All of which is well enough for the consultants, but what about British industry? Mr Vandersteen admits that con-sultancy is a "maturing pro-fession", no longer in a phase of compant growth.

Within his own firm, some 60 per cent of work comes from clients whom the firm has served before, and another 20 per cent from companies to which employees of Arthur Andersen itself, or of one of its previous clients have moved. That can be taken as evidence that Arthur Andersen has many satisfied clients. It can also be taken as evidence that the firm is selling to the converted.

Likewise, the fact that members of the Management Con-suitants Association have had 95 of The Times top 100 companies among their clients may be impressive, but it raises a

proving to their ratepayers that great many questions about the never have used consultants at all or have used them and come away disillusioned by the experience,

It is partly with a view to assisting such potential clients that the Management Consultants Association has this year produced its first directory of member firms and their services to clients. This is large, highly informative, and available free from the MCA\*.

In addition to an introductory section on client-consultant relations—covering such things as the association's code of profes-sional practice, and some sen-sible and down to earth advice on selecting a consultant—it has a section describing the scope of members' services in general, and another giving a general description of each member firm (tends to be pretty anodyne but gives some idea of size and age), a list of the activities it undertakes (full and useful), and a selec-tion of "illustrative engage-

Of course there are also

addresses, telephone numbers, the names of key personnel and an indication of the firm's overseas connexions. Anyone looking for a consultancy firm should be able to get a good idea of which firms are likely to be interested and interesting from this (failing which the association's executive director will point them in the direction of three or four of them).

One problem, of course, is that not every reputable consultancy firm is a member of the MCA (so far there are 25, and their ranks are swelling by and their ranks are swelling by about two a year). The member-ship qualifications are pretty ferocious (members must have been in practice for at least five years in the United Kingdom; the partners or directors must have had at least ten years' experience; the average length of service with the firm of the whole consulting staff must be at least three years, and at least 25 per cent of the staff must have served with the same firm for five years; and so on).

apologizes not at all. It may deter the young hopefuls but it also keeps out the fly-by-nights; and the association's executive director runs an annual check to see that members continue to conform.

taken.

Adrienne Gleeson \*Management Consultants Asso-



Mr John Kapioltas, Sheraton's British-based vice-president and Denham Place, the hotel group's country headquarters.

# How Sheraton found a new image in rural Denham

Like most modern hotel com- known to interrupt business notions of a move to the country to another—Sheraton making has improved, "or I country in his paintful countryside were hardly likely was originally based in Brus- would like to think so ", Mr of properties in which archiingenuity, be it expressed in a shopping pre-cinct ice ripk or a 22-floor waterfall, is considered to be at least as important as the quality of room service.

Perhaps the most interesting property, however, is a building which acts as the base for its European, African and Middle East operations. Built between 1688 and 1701, Denham Place is a grade one listed building owned by the Allied Breweries pension fund and standing in its own 12-acre grounds in the sleepy Bucking-hamshire village of Denham. Once owned by Harry Saltz-man, the James Bond film maker who used it as a home from home for his stars, the house boasts its own chapel, a

number of histed period friezes, and an ambience more to keeping with the life-style of the 1930s bourgeoisie than the day-to-day running of a big American corporation. Mr John Kapioltas, the division's president, who is a ventional commercial one pastive of Akron, Ohio, is tion, and one in which

office to point out that a to be countenanced out of neighbour's horse has just purely aesthetic motives. wandered past the window.

national business, and doing so from a location of evident luxury and peace, not exactly distant from London, but then again well off the bearen track in comparison to the location of

its competitors.

One could be forgiven for asking: has Sheraton gone soft? The answer, apparently, is no. Idyllic the location may be, but it is all part of a carefully-tailored image which the company is cultivating to promote the expansion of its luxury hotel business.

Until less than a year ago. the European division was based in ITT's European offices in Brussels. It was part and parcel of a large and con-

Mr Kapioltas, who has seen Sheraton, of course, is the division grow from a mere owned by ITC, the huge two hotels in 1968 to 40 today, owned by ITT, the huge two hotels in 1968 to 40 today,
American conglomerate with a with another 14 under conreputation for hard dealing struction or in the planning senior staff, and took 28.
The company is operating in stages, says: "As the properties we were opening increased "I think that 90 per cent of and competitive areas of inter- our image started to develop. We wanted a new headquarters which would project that image to our investors and the world at large. A mansion fit-ted that image."

Denham Place, which Sheraton has taken on a 25-year lease, firted the bill. It was only 20 minutes from Heathrow airport, an important factor for an organization in which most of its executives complete many thousands of miles of travelling each year. And it was close enough to London for potential investors in Sheraton projects to visit. In-deed, the company's set programme for such visitors cludes a four of the mansion, where some 58 people work. Few fail to be impressed.

Moving a company from one

sels-can cause difficulties even when the eventual destination is the pleasant Buckinghamshire countryside.

our people were very positive about the move", says Mr Kapioltas. "People realized

what we were trying to do. Denham is impressive when our investors and principals arrive and I think it is in keeping with the type of hotels which we manage." Staff costs were lower than they had been in Brussels, and

the company was surprised by the calibre of employees they were able to recruit locally.
"One of the reasons might have been that a lot of capable white collar people would rather work with us here than travel into the West End. The day-to-day working environment is outstanding, and over-all we have made considerable

savings." .
The quality of the decision-

Kapioltas adds swiftly. Staff relations have benefited and the group is happy with the way the local community has responded to the importation of a comparatively large number of jobs.

the grounds, the village pub is machine or sewing Local gardeners look after pleased with the extra business, and one Sheraton execstive even found himself invited to a party at the home of Denham's most famous resident, the actor Sir John Mills.

It is too early for Sheraton lunch and to make the cake to judge whether the move to the country was an unqualified success. Some parts of the building have yet to be fully converted to take their place in the building's new role.

Mr Kapioltas concedes that the decision was very much an experiment. "I do not know of anyone else who has done anything like it."

David Hewson

# Reassessing the value of coal From the Master of Churchill its pricing policy, and no doubt tude to energy College, Cambridge hoping that industry and others dirigisme, sh assisted to press government, industry and switch to coal in plenty of time switch to coal in plenty of time tude to energy and dirigisme, sh assisted to nevertheless.

press government, industry and commerce to use coal instead of oil and gas. There are many reasons—coal is cheaper than oil or gas per therm of heating value, we have plenty of it and so does the world, it is easier and more rewarding to export our oil (and gas) than our coal, alternatively such a policy permits us, if we wish, to reduce the rate of depletion of our oil and gas reserves.

But the most important switch to coal in plenty of time so that their future prosperity will not be prejudiced by energy problems.

Many of us need to wipe the coal stokehold because modern methods make it possible to burn coal cleanly and with little labour. The draw-backs to the rapid substitution of coal for oil and gas appear to be lack of cash for the conversion of equipment

and gas reserves.

But the most important reason stems from the conclureason stems from the concursion of the World Energy Conference and many other bodies including our Department of Energy, which can be summed up in the statement that the world supply of petroleum will rever across exceed that of 1979. never again exceed that of 1979. Whether this is literally true or not, the peak of petroleum and not, the peak of perform and its natural gas production and its decline are clearly visible.

The Department of Energy has been dutifully trying to signal this fact to consumers by

For this Mr Vandersteen

Given that it is the only association of established management consultants in the United Kingdom, the MCA's activities are still relatively modest in scope, though pursued with vigour once undertaken

Mr Vandersteen would like to see it undertake conferences and seminars, set up collective training courses for members' staff, and publish a good many more publications. In consultance training the second secon ancy terms this is known as "organization development and policy formation". But even for the consultants it has to remain a matter of a long term plan-

ciation, 23-24 Cromwell Place, London SW7 2LG.

appear to be lack of cash for the conversion of equipment and uncertainty about future regulations and supply. Payback periods are encouraging although not dramatic.

Government should look again at the possibility of giving financial help towards substitution, without having the taxpawer excessively reward

taxpayer excessively reward those who will save money by switching to coal. The chemical industry and others who are complaining of competition from countries whose govern-ments have an ostrich-like atti-

assisted to adapt to c

Uncertainty might lessened if the Governmitself gave a lead. Just as Property Services Agency the DHSS showed what co be done in energy conse tion, they should now he a to give a similar lead in use of coal. Local authorishould also be advised to vert their own large users to encourage others. To a uncertainty about supply i major task of the coal in try, but gas and oil suppl might be more flexible in the attitude to the provision emergency supplies. Government energy policy

based on conservation, and nuclear. It is time it be to promote the use of a much more seriously. Yours faithfully, W. R. HAWTHORNE, Churchill College. Cambridge CB3 0DS.

### Rural small industries

From Mr Michael Dower Sir, I am writing to express the concern of the eight member organizations of Rural Voice, an alliance of national organizations representing rural communities, about the future of the Council for Small Industries in Rural Areas (CoSIRA).

It is now 20 months since the

It is now 20 months since the Government commissioned, and over 12 months since it received the report of a review by civil servants of the work of the Development Commission and its subsidiary CoSIRA. This report has not been published, nor has not been published, nor has there been any public consultation on the subject. Now, however, there is a strong rumour that CoSIRA is about to be merged into a larger unit, serving small businesses in both urban and rural areas under urban and rural areas, under the auspices not of the Develop-ment Commission and the Department of the Environment,

but of the Department of Industry. We quite understand that urban areas may need a service not unlike that which CoSIRA not unlike that which CoSIRA MHCHAEL DOWER, has so effectively given to the countryside. But we are 26 Bedford Square, extremely concerned that CoSIRA's specialist knowledge February 27.

of the needs of rural businesses, and its close links to hundreds of such businesses on the ground, should not be weakened, Indeed, we believe the present economic difficul-ties and the vital importance ties, and the vital importance of small firms of all kinds to the health of the rural economy, call for the continued extension of CoSIRA's remit to cover shops, garages and other small enterprises in rural areas. Moreover, the close links between CoSIRA and the Development Commission areas to be Commission need to be strengthened to their mutual benefit, rather than weakened. For this reason, we should prefer to see CoSIRA retained in its present form with extended remit and resources. If, on the other hand, it is linked with a wider body, we urge that it remains semi-autonomous as a rural organization, with undiluted expertise and resources, a clear rural base and functioning as an executive arm of the Development Com-Yours faithfully,

# Micro-chip to make the beds and darn socks

From Mr A. F. Bromige Sir, Isin Murray, in his article, "Gadetry without fears" "Gadetry without fears" (March 2), says that the microchip revolution promises to banish for ever the drudgery of domestic life and he seems surprised that a sample of house-wives experienced some anxiety at being confronted with and being expected to operate a Prestel receiver, a home computer, a video-cas-sette recorder and a microwave

It is not clear to this house-hold operative how any of these gadgets reduce in the slightest, let alone banish, what some call drudgery. If the housewife could have seen some use in any of the four articles she was confronted with she would have been able to operate them as well as she can operate her cooker, wash-

If the manufacturer can design a micro-chip to make the beds and to rake out the dead ashes of the fire in the morning, to clean the windows and darn the socks, to cut the sandwiches for the children's and to walk the vacuum cleaner over all the floors, then be will be on a winner; and Mr Murray, and the advertising agents he mentions, will find the housewife will learn to operate this wonder-machine in a flash. Until then, she is wise to ignore the gadget society that we seem to be becoming. Yours faithfully,

A. F. BROMIGE, West Holme, 4 The Ridgeway, Friston.

East Sussex BN20 0EZ. From Mrs Ann Brooke

Sir, I shall ever feel in Mr Iain Murray's debt for his article on "Gadgetry without fears" in today's (March 2) Business News, as I now know that I am not the only woman who suffers from "technofear". Not only do I labour under March 2,

this handicap, but I also cannot appreciate the need for the ever increasing complexity and multiplicity of functions of some of our household appli-

I seem to recall that we welcomed the earlier models of clothes and dishwashing machines and of tumbler dryers because these had few programmes and no symbols. I wonder whether manufacturers appreciate that many women like to feel "in control" of their machines and like to adapt their functions to the family's

needs and routines.
The advantage of a washing machine is that clothes can be soon back in use, but its advan-tage is reduced if one has to wait days to collect sufficient articles for a particular programme. I have two electronic " mar-

vels" in my kitchen — an oven and a tumbler dryer—on which symbols are so unintellig-that I need to have their meanings stuck to adjoining overseas due to the abolit cupboards. Perhaps a man's of exchange control? May symbol is a woman's mystery. suggest he tries one of the The tumbler dryer is a great improvement on my old one, as it is much larger and is permanently vented to outside the house. However, it has a multiplicity of programmes (I think, eleven) of which I only use two — those for cotrons and for manmade fibres. For the latter, I have a choice as to whether or not I wish to iron my shirts and bed linen — surely most

Similarly, I am puzzled by another programme. This blows cold air "to remove unpleasant smells" — can any really remain after a machine wash?

Solution, I am puzzed by hours.

All the above methods the effected from one's de without complications, identification or embarrassment. I hope these comments will help manufacturers increase their understanding of house-wives' needs.

ANN BROOKE. Keasdon, 13 Central Avenue, Eccleston Park, Prescot. Lancashire L34 20L.

#### The 'unfair' company car perk

From Mr R. T. W. Rumsey Sir, A heading on the Man, ment page of your Busin News section (March 2) re "How fair is the comp car?".

In truth it is completely fair. How it ever came to viewed as a perk complet baffles me. The provision o car together with tax, insura and maintenance has alw been seen as part of the sal of the person to whom vehicle has been allocated. actual cash part of his salar adjusted accordingly.

The true value of the protein of the protein of the company.

sion of the company car sion of the company car never taken into considerat when assessing the employe pension and as a result a unfortunate "enjoying" benefit of this so-called pu has the certain knowledge t upon retirement his pens will be much less than he wou have enjoyed had he recess a salary which would be allowed him to provide his a vehicle together with the as

By fostering the principle providing a vehicle and atta-ing to this a curious status; majority of the employers: Britain effectively reduce th. pension fund commitment : most certainly reduce the st dard of living of their reti employees. Ironically, the duced pension falls upon th employees who, during the working life, were deemed to of sufficient standing within company to merit the use o company vehicle. In ord pany best can expect to end with only a limited recognitic of their services.

Yours sincerely, R. T. W. RUMSEY, Eycotwood Cottage, Nr Cirencester. Gloucestershire.

#### Currency difficulties at the banks

From Mr Gordon C Fenton Sir, Is Mr J. H. H. White (Letters, February 24) fu aware of the freedom we n enjoy in transferring fur suggest he tries one of the lowing methods in the futi streets to no avail :
(1) post equivalent value sterling bank notes : (2) post bis own sterling (

que;
(3) relephone request to own bankers to transfer a st ling or foreign currency va by the international "Swi service. A transfer of this k can be effected within hours.

cation or embarrassment. F thermore, methods 1 and 2 not involve charges and whiteley could have remitthe L3 he allocated these. Yours faithfully,

G. C. FENTON. Algueria la Rana Sittingbourne,

#### Buying a car from British Leyland From Mr John L. Joly in our Piccadilly office. They

Sir, Having heard so often of the difficulties facing British Leyland, I wonder whether the following exchange of telexes between them and my company might perhaps provide some clue to their problems?

Ours of 6.2.81: "Wishing to order Mini station wagon for our London office. Any chance available second half March.

On 11.2.81 we sent the following reminder and had an "on the spot" exchange.

Ours: "We would appreciate

receiving your reply to our..."
Theirs: "Do not know for whom this message intended. I presented other one to Middle East director in Solihuli last time. If you can please give me a name I will try to get Ours: "We wish to buy one of your cars in England. Would you please reply to our original Theirs: "This is Head Office

here we have no cars. Please say what kind of car and I will

will assist I'm sure." BL telexed us on 12.2.81: "Your telex has been referred to us at the tax-free sales centre in Piccadilly. Do you wish to purchase this vehicle for export ...?"

We replied on 13.2.81: "As

stated in our original telex, we want it for our London office. Please could you quite price and delivery . . .?"

BL replied on 13.281: "Have passed inquiry to "\_\_\_\_and Co." passed inquiry to '- and Co'.
Please advise address London

office for contact."
We replied on 14.2.81 that the office was not yet manned but would be as from March 16. We gave the address and telephone number, together with the name of our solicitors for reference purposes. We added: "But please place order for car now and advise cost and colour."

on 16.2.81 a different BL office telexed us: "Re Mini station wagon—London office. Please clarify whether unit is required in UK (RHD or LHD) or in Lebanon. Can then quote delivery/price.

our London office therefo On 19.2.81 we received fro

On 19.2.81 we received fro BL: "Re your inquiry right hand drive Mini estate for a livery in UK please advised whether vehicle to be retained in UK or to be used a temporary basis and then a ported . . ."; and we replied "Cannot see how we can make it any clearer that we warright hand drive Mini estate." it any clearer that we waright hand drive Mini esta for deliver; and use by Londo office in UK. There is no que tion of exporting it. Do hot that this is now clear...."

More than two weeks have passed, considerable telex eneuses have been incurred an BL have come very close I losing a sale. I wonder how losit would have taken to secur

it would have taken to secur a Renault 5 or a Fiat 127? The telex exchange is still going of In my farher's day employed in this company who had nor British cars were frowne upon; nowadays British car are rarely seen. Sadly, on understands only too easil:

why. Yours faithfully, JOHN L. JOLY, Henry Heald and Company

#### Carrying on in the tradition of Dick Whittington The Square Mile at the heart dent, says: "The events now of the City of London is the being organized are positive most famous centre of commercial activity in the world. Britain to recover its indusbeing organized are positive acts of faith in the ability of Britain to recover its industrial and commercial muscle. Industry in

Tacitus, in the first century of the Roman occupation, called it a town of the highest repute and a busy emporium for trade the centenary calendar, but the chamber's main purpose is to

Today the City means the Bank of England, Lloyds, the Baltic Exchange, Billingsgate fish market, Smithfield, and the Guildhall, not to mention a megalopolis of \$100 companies, legions of specularity in remains healthy is likely to be legions of speculative investors, and the memory of one former Lord Mayor whose financial dealings would have landed him in court had he lived long enough for the legal process to take its course. Folkiore may have it that Britain's fortunes are truly on the wane when the ravens leave the Tower of London which stands a few hundred yards out-

side the City's boundaries. But a more down-to-earth assessment of the nation's sickness would surely be signs of collapse with in the Square Mile, and those are mercifully absent at the The London Chamber of Commerce and Industry, which is based in the City exists to promote the business community of London and the South-east, It celebrates its cen-

tenary this year and intends to mark the event by sponsoring the City of London exhibition at the new £106m Barbican

Occasions of pride in past achievements are certainly on

remains healthy is likely to be evident during the exhibition. The EEC is to sponsor a conference between its ten mem-ber states and the 60 nations of the Africa, Caribbean, Pacific Group under the Lome Convention. The event will be one of the most important to be attracted to the Barbican Centre, the commercial side of the controversial bombsite development, and, with 200 delegates from 70 countries led by M Claude Chevsson, the EEC Commissioner for Development, is clearly something of a coup for the newly-opened venue.

Of the exhibition itself, Sir Ronald Gardner Thorpe, the present Lord Mayor, says that it will "demonstrate to indus-trial and business communities at home and abroad that the City retains its premier place as the business, commercial and financial centre of the world.

"It will serve to prove that at the new £106m Barbican this historic Square Mile's future is as bright as its past, and that London remains, in

the regions

City of London

Dunbar's words of 1501, 'the flower of cities all'." Quite how much of all this is absorbed by the toilers who pour out of the multiple exits of Bank underground station each morning and ease the City into life is a matter of some speculation. The workforce of the Square Mile has certainly shrunk in the past decade. shrunk in the past decade, depleted by the move of some companies to out-of-London locations and the defection of these to Materials others to Westminster where rates and rentals used to be

Another 1,000 jobs will disappear at the end of the year when the Billingsgate fish marto Tower Hamlets. In the past decade the workforce of the City has slimmed from the half million mark to around 360,000. Most commute to their work-places, only 8,000 people actually live in the City, some 5,000 of them in the Barbican. The biggest employer is the Bank of England with more than 2,000 workers followed by

the City Corporation, the dis-tinctly idiosyncratic local

authority which, through an the Royal Shakespeare Comarchaic system of aldermen, pany and the London Symphony acts as an alma mater to all of the most important members of the area's ruling class.

The Royal Shakespeate Company and the London Symphony pany and the London Symphony are the most important members of gallery, cinemas and restaurants. It may even make the the area's ruling class. Some 76 per cent of the working population earn their living in offices, compared with 58 per cent in central London, the largest category of these being

clerical workers.

At the last census, in 1971, some 101,000 clerks, 37,000 typists and shorthand writers, 7,320 telephone operators, and 50 agricultural workers were counted. The proportions are not thought to have changed much except in two categories.

Textiles, which once employed 540 people, have slumped, and

the fact that Fleet Street comes within the City borders means that the 1971 estimates for the workforce of the printing industry, which then included 5,600 journalists alone, are now distinctly on the high side. Whether the workforce of the City will start to rise will depend upon the competitiveness of its rent and rates regime. When the corporation revalued in 1974, it was by such an extent that even some banks felt forced to give up their place in the traditional home of their business and move to new premises in Aldwych. Senti-ment is unlikely to hold anyone to the Square Mile any more. Of more immediate import-

ance, as far as employment

question of the City's tourist

will provide a new home for

prospects are concerned, is the

unfortunate Barbican estate resemble something other than a ghost town after dark. Billingsgate, when it becomes vacant, may be turned into a tourist shipping centre, though

there are planning difficulties.
And Tower Bridge, which the
corporation runs, is to see a
new development for the public between the twin towers. From the point of view of continued prosperity, the Square Mile would seem to have little cause for worry. Its financial institutions may not be imper-vious to change, Lloyd's being an obvious example, but their qualities are still much in demand from the rest of the

Commodities, shipping, Euro markets, bullion, all tend to rely on some aspect of the City's skills for their success The vast majority of the country's visible earnings are generated in the small and crowded square which is bordered by boundaries dating from Roman and medieval If ever there were a case

for arguing that there are two Britains, the dealings of the Britains, the dealings of the City's affluent financial institutions must contrast vividly with the collapse of industry in the Midlands and elsewhere.



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#### Friday's close INBRIDE

## **SE** puts its defence on lair trading inquiry

The Stock Exchange's 200-lage justification of its Rule look is to be presented to the office of Fair Trading today. But after two years of discusdons and a year to compile its ase before the Restrictive racios of evidence falls on a day when the Civil Service strike could mean there is no one to

receive it.

The Stock Exchange was referred to the OFT in autumn 1978. It has been drawing up a fefence of 181 rules which the OFT believes violate the 1973 Fair Trading Act. The case trose automatically from this legislation, which required all groups which sell services subject to defined terms and con-didons to either abandon them or demonstrate in court that they are in the public interest. It is estimated that the OFT evaluation will take two years, he case will some to court thout 1983. The cost to ex-thange members, which sarted 12 around £500,000, has now risen to £1.5m, but at present here are no plans for a special

#### N Sea licences

to be awarded Awards of licences for oil and gas exploration and production on the United Kingdom continental shelf in the North Sca will be made this week by Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Energy, after a record number of applications.

The first awards under seventh round of licensing were made before Christmas on blocks picked by oil companies. Those granted this week are on blocks specified by the Department of Energy.

#### Perkins pay claim

Shop stewards representing 6,000 production workers at the Perkins diesel engine plant in Peterborough have submitted a pay claim for an extra 20 per cent. The company recently trimmed its workforce by 1,300.

### Fewer French cars

French car registrations in February were 17.6 per cent below their level of a year before at 134,353 and were 2 per cent below the January figure of 137,065, according to Provisional data released by the French car manufacturers

#### Hopes of tin pact Tin producer and consumer countries meet in Geneva today

in try working out a new inter-national tin agreement. The last round in December ended with a compromise accepted by all participants except the United States.

#### Stabilization moves

Governors of the western central banks will seek ways of stabilizing the money markets because of the way interest rates have jumped in western Europe when they meet in Basie

## Herbert profit hopes

Tooling Investments, the Birmingham company which acquired the Alfred Herbert name and Coventry manufacturing facilities from the National Enterprise Board, its former owners, said the company was still making slight losses but would begin to show a profit by the end of its financial year on July 31,

#### Talbot inquiry call

Mr James Milne, general sec-retary of the Scottish TUC, has written to Mr Bob Hughes, chairman of the Parliamentary select committee on Scottish Affairs, demanding a one-day emergency inquiry into the shutdown of Talbot's Linwood car plant and its implications for the west of Scotland.

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# President Reagan casts doubt on Mexico summit A summit meeting of leaders the former West German Chanof developed and developing cellor, nations, planned to take place But in Mexico in June, may be post-poned. President Reagan is not believed to be enthusiastic about this conference. are likely to be at the fore-front of the agenda at the Ottawa meeting, at the insist-ence of the Canadian bosts. The Informed sources stated that Administration believes that the

**Opposition** by

the President was not happy about the practice of angual economic summits concluding with a series of highly specific agreements. He would rather see such summits focus more on

general issues. The Reagan adminstration may also play down the significance of the meeting of leaders

cance of the meeting of leaders from the United States, Britain, France, West Germany, Canada, lapan and Italy, to take place in July in Ottawa.

Officials said that the Administration had already reached positions on a number of key international accompanies. of key international economic policy issues. It will support large-scale borrowing in the markers by the International Monetary Fund, and it has assured European officials that it will give strong support to the International Energy

However, officials gave a warning that the Administration was still in the early stages of formulating its foreign economic policy. This alone could undermine the usefulness of the Mexico and Canada summits. The officials said that a White House decision had not been taken on whether President Reagan would attend the

This meeting is intended to launch a new North-South dialogue and it is difficult to see how this can be achieved without United States involvement A call for such a summit was

But development aid issues main question has to be the retycling of petrodollars to developing oil - importing

The Reagan administration is disturbed by what it sees as an increasing tendency by the World Bank to provide loans for short-term balance of payments purposes. It believes developing countries must take tough domestic policy actions to ensure that they can obtain loans in the private markets, and meet firm loan conditions

imposed by the IMF. The Administration would meet its funding commitments to the World Bank group, but it would stretch out its payments schedule, officials said. They added that the American Government has not rejected the idea of an energy bank affiliate for the World Bank, as proposed by Mr Robert McNamara, the bank's presi-dent, but had simply fold the bank it needed more time to consider this idea.

Trade is another area that will feature prominently at the Ottawa summit and officials said there should be no doubt of the Reagan Administration's resolve to secure open international markets. The Govern-Mexican summit. "There has ment's position would become been a lot of talk in Europe clear when the cabinet took key about deferring this meeting." decisions on Japanese car imdecisions on Japanese car im-ports in the next few weeks.

President Reagan's Government does not believe in formulating a detailed currency strategy. It believes that a strong dollar is beneficial in the fight against inflation and made in the report on North- it will work he South issues published by the currency. it will work hard to strengthen

## Cooperation with Nippon company may forge link similar to BL's relationship with Honda

# British Steel seeks technical help from Japan

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Nippon Steel, the world's largest and most efficient producer of steel, has joined the growing number of successful Japanese companies which have been asked to help in halting the decline of British industry.

The company has been asked to supply Britain with advanced technology so that the ailing British Steel Corporation can reconstruct three or four of its mills.

The forging of new links between Mippon Steel and the BSC came amid reports that BL, the government-backed car company, could become more closely involved with Honda, the Japanese car maker which will copro-duce a new car at BL's Cowley plant later this year.

A Nippon Steel spokesman said In Japan yesterday that a team of experts led by Mr Masumi Aihara, the company's adviser, had completed a study of the plight of British Steel. He said that Nippon Steel had been asked to provide Britain with advanced

technology at the request of Mr Jan MacGregor, the corporation's chairman. Nihon Keizui Shimhun, the Japanese the move "may help improve Japan's relations with Britain and ease

frictions caused by Japanese car

exports " The spokesman for Nippon Steel refused to explain how the company

be in the field of providing advanced technology which "will increase BSC's yield and decrease production costs". Nippon Steel is expected to present

the corporation with a detailed report of how the British steel industry can be reconstructed. Japanese engineers, who visited British Steel plants unaunounced a month ago, are expected to return to Britain in the near future, and the corporation is also expected to send a delegation of engineers to Japan.

plants helped Japan to surpass the United States last year as the non-Communist world's largest producer of steel, Nippon's engineering division has Nippon's engineering division already provided 35 countries, includ-ing the United States, with its aneady provided 35 countries, including the United States, with its advanced technology, and helped other nations such as China to establish modern integrated steel mills.

A spokesman for British Steel said yesterday: "We have on several occa-sions called on the Japanese for rech-nical assistance. The last example was

for a blast furnace on Teesside. "The Japanese are the acknowledged world leaders on large blast furnace

Contrary to initial reports from Japan, any advice given by Nippon Steel would be incorporated into the BSC's existing rationalization plan. No new installations are envisaged. It remains to be seen how significant the links

between Nippon Steel and the BSC

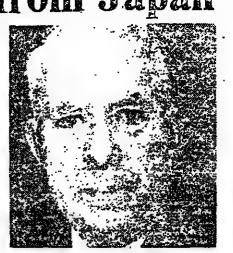
While British Steel hopes that they are seen as purely informal discussions of mutual benefit at the moment, such discussions have led to concrete cooperation plans in the past.

The talks which led to the BL/Honda deal to produce a medium-size saloon at Cowley, to be called the Triumph Acclaim, arose from similar links.

Recent reports in Britain and Japan that Honda wanted to strengthen its links with the British car maker met with a muted response from BL yester day. A company spokesman said: "We are talking to a lot of people about a lot of things all the time, but a lot them will never see the light of

Honda has denied in Tokyo that it was interested in taking an equity stake in BL but it may build BL's highly successful Mini Metro in Japan, Technical talks between the two companies about BL producing another Honda-designed under licence in Britain have also

But the Japanese car company's willingness to talk about its desire for closer links with BL has been met with a degree of surprise within the British company. Honda, like most Japanese car manufacturers, has been involved in talks internationally about cooperative projects in an attempt to head off mounting criticism about the domina-tion of world markets by the Japanese. Mitsubishi is planning an engine



Mr Ian MacGregor: asked for Japan's advanced technology.

plant in Indonesia; Pakistan is to assemble Suzuki cars; a number of Japanese manufacturers have interests

in America; and Nissan, the maker of Datsun cars, wants to open a manufacturing plant in Britain.

Mr Kiyoshi Kawashima, Honda's president, has been quoted in Japan confirming that the company was seek-ing to extend its links with BL. Honda also said that it was acting in response to approaches from the British Government, though the Department of Indus-try has denied that it knew of plans for closer collaboration.

Office of

checks on

By John Huxley

wire maker

Twil, the Sheffield-based wire

maker in which the British

Steel Corporation has a 20 per

cent stake, has been asked by

the Office of Fair Trading to

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# Forecast of 3.25 million out of work by 1983

By David Blake

Economics Editor A grim warning that there will be no significant recovery until 1983, with more than 3.25 million unemployed by the next general election, comes today from the Cambridge Econometrics Forecasting Group. It predicts that nothing

in the Budget will help manufacturing or unemployment sig-nificantly in the longer term. The quarterly Midland Bank Review also gives a warning that any attempt to "turn the screw" spain on control of the money supply would produce another drop in profitability and would make unemployment

Government has had some success in improving the productive efficiency of the economy, Midland Bays says that this will not produce a recovery unless backed up by extra

demand. A further indication of the problems facing Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor, in shaping his Budget is the call for an increase in the standard rate of income tax by James

Capel, the City stockbrokers. It predicts that unless this is done, inflation will start to rise in the near future. It expects some upturn in the economy later in the year and also finan suggests that the Government's year.

sector has shown signs of scathing about reported plans weakening.

The proposal for raising taxes is strongly attacked by Cambridge Econometrics, which is separate from Mr Wynn Godley's Cambridge Economic Policy Group. Cambridge Econometrics predicts that raising standard income tax rates to 32 per cent would add 100,000 to national output by 1 per cent.

It forecasts that the Chancellor will be able to achieve his plans for controlling the money supply with a higher level of public borrowing than envisaged in the medium term financial strategy published last

to uprate personal tax allow-ances by less than the full value of inflation, pointing out that this means more bureaucracy and more people being caught

in the tax net.
It expects little help for in dustry from easing of such things as National Insurance contributions by employers. The unemployment totals and cut main issue facing the Government is reducing the exchange rate, it argues. A drop in the value of the pound would push

up profits and save jobs. Cambridge Econometrics pre dicts that the prospect of ar election will force the Govern ment to cut taxes over the rest

its original estimate.at £200m.

duce ethylene, a "building block" widely used in the

supply information aspects of its business. The inquiries have been initiated under the terms of restrictive practices legislation, and Twil has been given 28

days in which to reply. Through its subsidiaries, such as Tinsley Wire, Twil claims to have about 40 per cent of the United Kingdom nail market and a share of between 70 and 100 per cent of every other wire product, such as netting, field fence, barbed wire and chain

link. The principal continuity.

It has a wire-drawing capamore than 350,000 link. The principal end user is venture cracker at Wilton on Teesside, for example, was comcity of more than 350,000 tonnes, most of which is made pleted two years behind schedule and at almost twice into galvanized wire and fencing products. At the end of last year it had a United Kingdom The ethane cracker to pro-uce ethylene, a "building

workforce of about 5,000. It is a private company and chemicals industry, is part of the state-owned British Steel Corporation has a 20 per cent stake, but commands 25 per cent of the voting power. The balance is held by Bridon and a much larger complex, incor-porating a joint Esso and Shell gas separation plant. Chemical industry observers believe the ultimate on-site investment could be as much the Bekaert Group, of Belgium. Mr Dilwen Scrivens, general manager of Tinsley Wire, con-

manager of Tinsley Wire, confirmed that a letter had been received from the Office of Fair Trading, but he declined, to disclose its precise content.

"It would be very premature to comment. We are not entirely sure what this is about. It may be a false alarm", he said.

Last year, the group announced that it was cutting the prices of its berbed wire in a move to halt the advance of cheap imports from the eastern block Comecon countries. Twil block Comecon countries. Twil

import nails.

It sells its products through a number of distributors, and it is understood that the OFT's inquiries relate to the group's relations on marketing policy with these. Twil would not confirm or deny this.

The Office of Fair Trading

## Video war looming £100m repairs bill

on cassette

Agency.

By David Hewson A pre-recorded video war is likely to break out in the High Streets in the next fortnight.

Thorn-EMI is to launch a £500,000 television and press promotion in 10 days' time to announce the formation of ornation of video libraries and sales outlets operating out of Woolworth, Ecots, W. H. Smith and John Menzies, as well as main television rental outlets.

It will offer such feature film titles as The Deer Hunter, the same than the same television will be such feature film titles as The Deer Hunter, the same television of the same television will be same than the same television of the s

Murder on the Orient Express, Death on the Nile and Citizen Kane, as well as Thames Television programmes like The World at War and Botanic Man.

Thron-TMI aims to become market leader in a rapidly grow-ing sector, but it is likely to face intense competition from a number of other companies trying to widen the base of video feature film sales, including Warner Home Video, a division of WEA Records, and CIC Video UK.

Most pre-recorded video sales in the past have been from specialist stores, many of them involving a high proportion of soft-porn cassettes

But the market is expected to more than double to around the E50m mark this year, with the growth in sales of video cassette recorders and the increasing number of outlets for creasing number of outlets for recorded tapes costing anything from £29, for an aging Carry On film, to £40 for an up-to-date feature. Rental costs vary wildly and will depend upon individual

retailers. There are around 600,000 video recorders in the United Kingdom and the number is expected to increase to about one million by the end of the

Mr Nicholas Bingham, marketing division managing director of Thorn-EMI Video Programme, said that the television campaign which it was about to launch would not normally be justified by the relatively small number of video owners. But the company was trying to increase the size of the market overall as well as its share in it. We would not normally advertise on television to get to this size of market, but we feel that there is a very low awareness of video cassettes. We estimate the market for pre-recorded cassettes in 1981 could be about 1.5 million cassettes sold through retail

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# Canals board facing

By Peter Hill

Industrial Editor Britain's canal system is faced Eritish Waterways Board secures additional funds to carry out long overdue mainten-ance work which could cost more than £100m.

Over the next few weeks, the board is expected to start a campaign to persuade the Government to increase the amount of cash made available to the board to meet its statu-tory duties. Arrears of mainten-ance have been building up for several years, affecting bridges, tunnels, reservoirs and the canals themselves.

The Government's Water Bill, which received its third reading last month, will provide for an increase in the borrowing ceilfrom £20m to £35m,
The first £5m will be authorized when the Bill receives
Royal Assent, and the balance

will be allocated on the order of Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment. But the increase in the borrowing ceiling will only allow the board, which is responsible for maintaining about 2,000 miles of inland waterways, to raise cash to meet its capital investment requirements.

For many years the board's income has been insufficient to cover its costs. It receives an annual grant from the Exchequer to cover the deficit.



Sir Frank Price: the board faces tremendous problems.

which on average has amounted to about 60 per cent of its total revenue costs. Sir Frank Price, chairman, said over the weekend that the board faced tremendous problems in finding the money required to ensure that the system was restored to a safe condition.

Failure to carry out essential and urgent maintenance work, he said, would put at risk the pleasure of thousands of people as well as many jobs and investment geared to the inland

waterway network.

# Work set to start on £300m cracker Work will start in the next tasks undertaken in Eritain and to cost. In recent years the lene cracker for Esso Chemicals at Mossmorran, Fife. It will use ethane from North Sea oil Over the coming months large orders for hardware for the plant will be placed, and British process plant manufac-

use ethane from North Sea oil flelds as a feedstock and is due to be completed in 1985. Tractor that announced that Tractor Shovels (Contracts) of Inver-keithing, Fife, a subsidiary of the London and Northern Group, will be responsible for nnounced site preparation.

The contract, awarded by Lummus, the main contractor on the Mossmorran project, will continue for nine months and provide employment for up to

Company spending on spon-

sorship of sporting events and

the arts was an estimated £50ml

in 1979, more than three times

the amount spent three years

Such figures have been hard to come by in the past but the estimate comes from the English Tourist Board which

has conducted research to help those looking for sponsorship. Around 85 per cent of spend-

ing at present goes on sporting events as companies try to raise

their prestige and have their names shown on television.

By Derek Harris

turers have been working hard to ensure that most of them stay in the United Kingdom. Esso has always said that its

ordering will be done according to long-standing criteria of price, quality and delivery, but it has indicated that it would value the shorter lines of communications derived from work-

ban on direct advertising.

The remaining 15 per cent

of spending benefits mainly the arts, although the English Tourist Board expects

Tourist Board expects increasing spending in this tield to account for 20 per cent

of total sponsorship within a couple of years. Other spending

goes on "social sponsor-ship" for projects such as the

The board's latest research showed that last year Benson &

Hedges, the Gallaher tobacco

company, spent £80,000. Sun Alliance the insurance company

deprived areas.

This appeals particularly to spent £70,000, Martini spent tobacco companies because of a £54,000 on golf sponsorship

ing with British manufacturers. 40 people. The project is also an im-The cracker project, which is portant test of the British large-

Company sponsorship cash trebles National Westminster Bank

spent £250,000 and Cornhill In-surance spent £200,000 supporting cricket. In 1979 the biggest spending had been on horse racing, the two top spenders being De Beers in diamonds (£65,000) and Benson & Hedges (£57,000).

The board found that some brewery companies had come up with their own form of relief of unemployment or the provision of social benefits in sponsorship. Sports and leisure facilities had been built in exchange for an exclusive fran-chise in providing drinks facili-

The Give and Take of Sponsor-ship (English Tourist Board;

# although it has been engaged in negotiations recently to

#### Socal bid for Amax tests administration's attitude to conglomerates

# President's anti-trust policy goes on trial

Standard Oil Company of California's bid for Amax Incorporated could be a test case of the Reagan Administration's unti-trust policies. The bid, worth around \$4,000m (£1,800m), is the largest of its kind in corporate history any-

where in the world. Articulate opponents of big business marriages, such as Mr Ralph Nader and Senator Edward Kennedy, are bound to oppose the Socal bid for Amax and provide some good stories, even if their influence proves to be small. All the early indications are that America's new Republican leaders are so enthusiastic about allowing free enterprise its head that the word "anti-trust" does not even appear in their dictionary.

But the degree of business concentration in America is astounding, and even the free market men in charge of anti-trust issues in the United States cannot be entirely oblivious of this. Insight into the scale of concentration is provided in two volumes on the subject recently published by the senate committee on governmental

The report focused on 100 leading companies in assorted key business sectors, including finance, manufacturing and re-

front, it found that J. P. Morgan, parent company of the Morgan Guaranty Trust, was by far the largest shareholder in the 100, with holdings valued at \$18,500m (£8,400m) at the end of 1979.

The second largest investor was the Capital Group, a Cali-fornian-based holding company, with \$7,700m of shares, and just behind came Citicorp with \$7,600m and the Prudential Insurance Company with \$7,400m. One aspect of coucentration was shareholdings in competitors, with Morgan, for example, the biggest single shareholder in Ciricorp and Bank of America, and the third Manufacturers largest Hanover Trust.

Power need not be measured simply in terms of share-holdings. The congressional committee went to great lengths to study the interlocking directorships between the top 100 companies. In scores of cases, the directors of the higgest banks meet each other on the boards of industrial companies. But directors of rival manufacruring companies also meet on outside corporate boards.

For example, Exxon directors

must be constantly bumping

into Mobil directors, as both

On the investment sit on such boards as those of does the ascounts of a quarter pillar Tractor and Equitable committee. Life. It is also interesting to note that Chase Manhattan Bank is the largest shareholder in Exxon, second largest in

> Oil of Indiana and fourth largest in Mobil. Some of the big investors are not interested only in obtaining shares in rival companies, but also in suppliers to companies in which they have a big stake. The Capital Group, for example, is the sixth largest shareholder in General Motors, second largest in Ford Motor Company and third largest in International Harvester. It is also the largest single shareholder

Socal, third largest in Standard

in US Steel, Bethlehem Steel and Armoo Steel. Of course, it is not just investments and joint directorships that link firms together. The Peat Marwick Mitchell account-ing firm does the books of each of the top three rival banks in New York-Citicorp, Chase and

Manufacturers Hapover. Meanwhile. Price Waterhouse audits the next three biggest New York banks—Chemical, Morgan and Bankers Trust. Incidentally, Price Waterhouse

Procter & Gamble, AT & T, of the top 100 companies re-Chemical Bank, Citicorp, Cater. viewed by the congressional Senator Kennedy sought not

long ago to introduce legisla-tion limiting the development of conglomerates. His Bill would have made it impossible, for example, for Socal to acquire Amax. But the Bill failed, and the

attitudes of the new administration may inspire more takeovers, more conglomerates and still more business concentra-Full encouragement to Socal

in its Amax bid by Washing-

ton's anti-trust lawyers would

spark a new tidal wave of take-over bids and battles. Even if Amax does rebuil Socal and their marriage is not consummated, brokers on Wall Street believe that a flood of conglomerate developments is likely, encouraged by the government's attitudes. They also believe the oil companies will be at the forefront of this movement, flush with funds to finance corporate purchases

thanks to the profits resulting

from

directly

oil prices.

Reagan's decision to decontrol Frank Vogl in Washington

President

# Brewery tenants complain of tied soft drink sales

By Our Commercial Editor Tenants of Samuel Smith of Tadcaster, the Yorkshire inde-pendent brewer, have added another area to the investigations being made into brewers' trading practices by Mr Gordon Borrie, Director General of

Fair Trading. of being tied to selling ancillary drinks lines under penalty of baving their rents raised.

The Samuel Smith tenants in the trade. were so angry at this that they carry only the brewery's soft local supermarket.

drink line and follow breweryrecommended prices for bitter. A second option involved fewer conditions, with a free choice in soft drinks but a higher rent.

The OFT is expected to look closely at the tying of soft The tenants have complained drink sales. The principle of brewers selling predominantly their own beer in their tenanted houses bas never been an issue

But tenants have complained have rejected the brewery's in the past at being restricted new rents review. They have to buying their spirits and written to the Office of Fair wines supplies and soft drinks Trading pointing out that under from the brewery, often at one option a tenant had to prices higher than even in the

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MANAGEMENT

Martin Vandersteen, this year's chairman of the Manage-ment Consultants Association, reckons that the nature of the business has changed substantially since he came into it 20

years 250. Time was when the management consultant was a creature from a strange planet, thinking and talking in a language quite different to that of the earthbound industrialists and traders who employed his services when driven to it by dire necessity. Now, he says, clients are quite likely to use their management consultants as a pool of labour, highly trained but basically complementary to their existing staff, on which they can draw when the pres-

That, he thinks, reflects the fact that clients have become very much more sophisticated in their approach, so that they now employ internally the sort of techniques that were peculiar to the management con-sultant 20 years ago. And, surrant 20 years ago. Ano, because companies are now re luctant to employ staff to cope with peak periods when it might be difficult and/or expensive to shed them when demand declines, it is a trend

he can see accelerating.

Not that the old-style, trouble-shooting consultant has passed into oblivion. On the contrary, he is almost as much in demand as ever, though the nature of his client has changed. Accordhis client has changed. According to members of the Managefier Consultants Association, bemand has held up surprisingly well over the past year, and while the number of consultants may have declined slightly—by perhaps 5 per cent, according to Mr Vandersteen—this is largely a result of underrectuiting. Certainly, he says, there has been nothing remorely there has been nothing remotely like the shakeout of 1972.

The worst of the downturn has been overseas, reflecting the impact of a stronger pound. In the United Kingdom, of course, demand from manufacturing industry is in some respects well down, because attempts to improve production



Mr Martin Vandersteen, chairman of the Management Consultants Association: providing a highly trained pool of labour.

and marketing have been postponed, and large-scale construc-tion projects that might otherwise have required appraisal have simply been shelved.

As against this, however, there is if anything a stronger demand for consultancy on ways to improve efficiency and cash flow, and data processing work is resource bound "-that is there simply are not enough trained consultants to undertake the work on offer Faced with rapidly deteriorating conditions, British management seems to have been converted wholesale to the view that more rapid access to more information can-not hinder and might help.

Demand for consultancy services from the few relatively bealthy sectors of the British economy-oil and gas, the financial sector, and distribution and retailing-is holding

Demand from central govern-ment is down, but from local government, curiously enough, it is well up-well up because the local authorities are desperate for methods of improving their financial controls, and of

they are providing value for money. So one way and another the

management consultants seem to be coming through the recession in reasonable shape.
All of which is well enough for the consultants, but what about British industry? Mr Vandersteen admits that con-sultancy is a "maturing pro-fession", no longer in a phase of rampant growth.

Within his own firm, some 60 per cent of work comes from clients whom the firm has served before, and another 20 per cent from companies to which employees of Arthur Andersen itself, or of one of its previous clients have moved. That can be taken as evidence that Arthur Andersen has many satisfied clients. It can also be taken as evidence that the firm is selling to the converted.

Likewise, the fact that members of the Management Consultants Association have had 95 of The Times top 100 companies among their clients may be impressive, but it raises a

proving to their ratepayers that great many questions about the smaller companies that either never have used consultants at all or have used them and come away disillusioned by the ex-

> It is partly with a view to assisting such potential chiems that the Management Consultants Association has this year produced its first directory of member firms and their services to clients. This is large, highly informative, and available free from the MCA\*. In addition to an introductory

section on client-consultant relations—covering such things as the association's code of professional practice, and some sensible and down to earth advice on selecting a consultant-it has a section describing the scope of members' services in scope of members services in general, and another giving a-general description of each member firm (tends to be pretty anodyne but gives some idea of size and age), a list of the activities it undertakes ([ull and useful), and a selec-"illustrative engage-

Of course there are also

addresses, telephone numbers the names of key personnel and in indication of the first's over sees examerions. Anyone looking for a consultancy firm ing for able to get a good idea of which firms are likely to be interested and interesting from this (failing which the association's executive director will point them in the direction of three or four of them).

One problem, of course, is that not every reputable consultancy firm is a member of the MCA (so far there are 25; and their ranks are swelling by about two a year). The member-ship qualifications are pretty ferrotous (members wing horse ferocious (members must have been in practice for at least five years in the United Kingdom; the partners or directors must have had at least ten years' ex-perience; the average length of service with the firm of the whole consulting staff must be at least three years, and at least 25 per cent of the staff must have served with the same firm for five years; and so on).

For this Mr Vandersteen apologizes not at all. It may deter the young hopefuls but it also keeps out the fly-by-nights; and the association's executive director runs an annual check see that members continue to conform.

to conform.

Given that it is the only association of established management consultants in the United Kingdom, the MCA's activities are still relatively modest in scope, though pursued with vigour once undertaken.

inken Mr Vandersteen would like to see it undertake conferences and seminars, set up collective training courses for members' staff, and publish a good many more publications. In consultancy terms this is known as a consultancy terms this development and "organization development and policy formation". But even for the consultants it has to remain a matter of "long term plan-

Adrienne Gleeson

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Mr John Kapioltas, Sheraton's Eritish-based vice-president and Denham Place, the hotel group's country headquarters.

# How Sheraton found a new image in rural Denham

expressed in a shopping pre-cinct ice rink or a 22-floor waterfall, is considered to be least as important as the quality of room service.

Perhaps the most interesting property, however, is a building which acts as the base for its European, African and Middie East operations. Built be-tween 1688 and 1701, Denham Place is a grade one listed building owned by the Allied Breweries pension fund and standing in its own 12-acre its competitors. ton has taken on a 25-year grounds in the sleepy Bucking. One could be forgiven for lease, fitted the bill. It was only hamshire village of Denham.
Once owned by Barry Salexman, the James Bond film maker who used it as a home

maker who used it as a nome from home for his stars, the house boasts its own chapel, a number of listed period friezes, and an ambience more in keeping with the lifestyle of the 1930s bourgeoisiz than the day-to-day running of his American secrotarion. a big American corporation.

sion's president, who is a ventional commercial one anative of Akron, Ohio, is tion, and one in which

mercial activity in the world. Tacitus, in the first century of the Roman occupation, called it

a town of the highest remute and a busy emporium for trade

and traders. Today the City means the Bank of England, Lloyds, the Ealtic Exchange, Billingsgate fish market, Smithfield, and the Guildhall, not to mention a megalopolis of £100 companies, legions of specializing investors.

letions of speculative investors, and the memory of one former

Lord Mayor whose financial dealings would have landed him in court had he lived long enough for the legal process to

Polklore may have it that Britain's fortunes are truly on

the wane when the ravens leave the Tower of London which

stands a few hundred yards out-

more down-to-earth asses ment

of the nation's sickness would

in the Square Mile, and those are mercially absent at the

The London Chamber of

Commerce and Industry, which

is based in the City exists to promote the business com-

munity of London and the

South-east. It celebrates its cen-

tenary this year and intends to

mark the event by sponsoring the City of London exhibition

at the new £106m Barbican Centre next November.

Earl Jellicoe, the LCCI's presi-

be signs of collapse with-

take its course.

moment.

Like most modern hotel com- known to interrupt business notions of a move to the country to another—Sheraton making has improved, "or I panics, Sheraton has its share discussions in his palattal countryside were hardly likely was originally based in Brus- would like to think so." Mr of properties in which archi- office to point out that a to be countenanced out of sels—can cause difficulties even Kapioltas adds swiftly. Staff tectural ingenuity, be it neighbour's horse has just purely aesthetic motives. wandered past the window.

Sheraton, of course, is the division grow from a mere countryside. owned by IIW, the bage two hotels in 1968 to 40 today, Sheraton American conglomerate with a with another 14 under con- one serious from a location of evident lax-ury and peace, not exactly dis-tant from London, but then again well off the bearen track in comparison to the location of

asking: has Sheraton gone 20 minutes from Heathrow air-soft? The auswer, apparently, port, an important factor for is no. Idyllic the location may an organization in which most he, but it is all part of a care- of its executives complete fully-tailored image which the many thousands of miles of company is cultivating to travelling each year. And it promote the expansion of its was close enough to London luxury hotel business. Until less than a year ago,

offices in Brassels. It was part Mr John Kapioltas, the divi- and parcel of a large and con-

Occasions of pride in past achievements are certainly on

the centenary calendar, but the

chamber's main purpose is to lend its feliest support to a concerted effort to help to set

Britain to recover its indus-trial and commercial muscle. the regions

The Square Mile at the heart dent, says: "The events now of the City of London is the being organized are positive most famous centre of com-

reputation for hard dealing, struction or in the planning. The company is operating in stages, says: "As the proper-one of the most hard-nosed ties we were opening increased and competitive areas of inter- our image started to develop, national business, and doing so We wanted a new headquarters

Denham Place, which Sherafor potential investors in Sheraton projects to visit. Inrhe European division was deed, the company's set pro-based in ITT's European gramme for such visitors includes a tour of the mansion, where some 58 people work. Few fail to be impressed.

Moving a company from one

Mr Kapioltas, who has seen the pleasant Buckinghamshire Sheraron encountered only

one serious objection from its senior staff, and took 28 people with it to Denham. "I think that 90 per cent of our people were very positive about the move", says Mr Kapioltas. "People realized what we were trying to do. Denham is impressive when our investors and principals arrive and I think it is in keeping with the type of hotels which we manage.

Staff costs were lower than they had been in Brussels, and the company was surprised by the calibre of employees they were able to recruit locally.

"One of the reasons might have been that a lot of capable white collar people would rather work with us here than travel into the West End. The day-to-day working environment is outstanding, and over-all we have made considerable savings."

The quality of the decision-

the group is happy with the way the local community has responded to the importation of a Comparatively large number of jobs.

Local gardeners look after the grounds, the village pub is

pleased with the extra business, and one Sheraton execprive even found himself invited to a party at the home of Desham's most famous resident, the actor Sir John Mills. It is too early for Sheraton

dead askes of the fire in the morning, to clean the windows and darn the socks, to cut the sandwiches for the children's lunch and to make the cake and to walk the vacuum leaners and the force. to judge whether the move to cleaner over all the floors, then he will be on a winner; and Mr Murray, and the adverthe country was an unqualified success. Some parts of the building have yet to be fully tising agents he mentions, will find the housewife will learn converted to take their place in the building's new role. to operate this wonder-machine in a flash. Until then, she is Mr Kapioltas concedes that wise to ignore the gadget society that we seem to be the decision was very much an experiment. "I do not know of becoming.
Yours faithfully, anyone else who has done any-

A. F. BROMIGE, West Holme, 4 The Ridgeway; David Hewson Friston,

# Carrying on in the tradition of Dick Whittington

City of London

Industry in

the country on a course
the country on a course
prosperity."

One sign that the City
remains healthy is likely to be
evident during the exhibition.
The EEC is to sponsor a conference between its ten member states and the 60 nations
of the Africa, Caribbean, Paciis Group under the Lome Conremains will be one

The Group under the Lome Conthe Square Mile has certainly
shrunk in the past decade,
the more of some of the most important to be attracted to the Barbican Cencompanies to out-of-London tre, the commercial side of the locations and the defection of controversial bombsite developothers to Westminster where rates and rentals used to be

ment, and, with 200 delegates from 70 countries led by M Claude Cheysson, the EEC Commissioner for Development, Another 1,000 jobs will disappear at the end of the year when the Eddingsgate fish maris clearly something of a coun-for the newly-opened venue. ket shuts and moves down river to Tower Hamlets. In the past decade the workforce of the City Of the exhibition itself. Sir Ronald Gardner Thorpe, the present Lord Mayor, says that has silmmed from the half "demonstrate to indus- million mark to around 360,000. trial and business communities. Most commute to their workat home and abroad that the place, only 8,000 people City retains its premier place actually live in the City, some as the business, commercial and 5,000 of them in the Barbican. financial centre of the world."

lower.

"It will serve to prove that Bank of England with more this historic Square Mile's than 3,000 workers followed by future is as bright as its past, the City Corporation, the dis-

and that London remains, in tiactly

ing population earn their living in offices, compared with 58 per cent in central London, the

cent in central London, the largest category of these being cierical workers.

At the last census, in 1971, some 101,000 clerks, 37,000 typists and shorthand writers, 7,320 telephone operators, and 50 agricultural workers were counted. The proportious are not thought to have changed much except in two categories.

Textiles, which once employed 540 reople, have slumped, and the fact that Fleet Street comes within the City borders means that the 1971 estimates for the workforce of the printing indus-

that the 1971 estimates for the workforce of the printing industry, which then included 5,600 journalists alone, are now distinctly on the high side.

Whether the workforce of the City will start to rise will depend upon the competitive ness of its rent and rates regime. When the corporation teralued in 1974, it was by such an extent that even some banks en extent that even some banks felt forced to give up their place in the traditional home of their business and more to new premises in Aldwych. Sentito the Square Mile any more. Of more immediate import-The biggest employer is the ance, as far as employment

prespects are concerned, is the question of the City's tourist potential. The Barbican Centre

idiosyncratic local will provide a new home for

authority which, through an archaic system of aldermen, acts as an alma mater to all of the most important members of the most important members of the area's ruling class.

Some 75 per cent of the working population earn their living in offices, compared with 58 per cent of the working population that the pulled the compared with 58 per can be something other than a ghost town after dark. Billiogsgate, when it becomes

thing like it." - '

stillingsgate, when it becomes vacant, may be turned into a tourist shipping centre, though there are plauning difficulties. And Tower Bridge, which the corporation runs, is to see a new development for the public between the twin towers.

From the point of view of continued waysperity, the Source interests the source of t ridual he point of view of con-tinued prosperity, the Square Mile would seem to have little cause for worry. Its financial institutions may not be imperan obvious example, but their qualities are still much in demand from the rest of the

Commodities, shipping, Euromarkets, bullion, all tend to rely on some aspect of the City's skills for their success. The wast majority of the country's visible earnings are generated in the small and crowded square which is bordered by boundaries dating from Roman and medieval

If ever there were a case for arguing that there are two Britains, the dealings of the City's affluent financial institutions must contrast visidly with the collapse of industry in the Midlands and elsewhere.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Reassessing the value of coal

From the Master of Churchill in pricing policy, and no doubt to college. Cambridge

Sir. This is the moment to price and modern ment to press government, industry and others will conserve energy and so there are many reasons—coal instead to foil and the there are many reasons—coal is cheaper than off hearing value, we have plenty of it and so does the world, it is easier and more rewarding to export our oil (and gas) that our coal alternatively such a policy permits us, if we wish, to reduce the rate of depletion of our oil and gas reserves.

But the most important reason stems from the conchision of the World Energy Conference and many other bodies including our Department of Suergy, which can be summed up in the statement that the world supply of petroleum will never vagin exceed that of 1979. Whether this is diterally true or not, the peak of petroleum and natural gas production, and its decline are clearly visible.

The Department of Energy house of the world supply of petroleum will never vagin exceed that of 1979. Whether this is diterally true or not, the peak of petroleum and natural gas production, and its decline are clearly visible.

The Department of Energy house who will save money by switching to countries whose government and anticing the foot of comparison from countries whose governments and surplicing of competition from countries whose governments and surplets of comparison of countries whose governments and surplets of comparison to countries whose governments and surplets of competition from countries whose governments and surplets of competition from countries whose governments and surplets of competition of countries whose governments are strictly and others with a second and the provision of conditions of the world surply to get the conditions of the world surple to get the conditions of the world surple to get the conditi

From Mr Michael Dower

It is now 20 months since the

It is now 20 months since the Government commissioned, and over 12 months since it received the report of a review by civil servants of the work of the Development Commission and its subsidiary CoSIRA. This report has there been any public consultation on the subject. Now, however, there is a strong rumour that CoSIRA is about to be merged into a Jarger unit, serving small businesses in both urban and rural areas, under the auspices not of the Develop-

the auspices not of the Develop-ment Colomission and the Department of the Environment.

but of the Department of Industry.

We quite understand that when areas may need a service-not unlike that which CoSIRA.

has so effectively given to the countryside. But we are extremely concerned that CoSIRA's specialist knowledge

chip, revolution promises to banish for ever the drudgery of

It is not clear to this house-hold operative how any of these gadgets reduce in the slightest, let alone benish, what some call drudgery. If the housewife could have seen

machine or sewing.

If the manufacturer can

design a micro-chip to make the beds and to rake out the

East Sussex BN20 OEZ.

From Mrs Ann Brooke
Sir, I shall ever feel in Mr Iain
Murray's debt for his article
on "Gadgetry without fears"
in today's (March 2) Business
News, as I now know that I am
not the only woman who suffers
from "rechnificar"

machine.

Rural small industries

of the needs of rural busin

prefer in see CostRA retained in its present form with extended remit and resources. If, on the other hand, it is linked with a wider body, we urge that it remains semi-autonomous as a rural organization, with imidiluted expertise and resources, a clear rural base and functioning as an executive arm of the Development Commission.

I seem to recall that we well

wonder whether manufacturers appreciate that many women like to feel "in control" of

their machines and like to adapt their functions to the family's needs and routines.

Yours fairtfully. MICHAEL DOWER Chairman, Rural Voice, 26 Bedford Square, hondon, WC1B 3HU, February 27.

Micro-chip to make the

From Mr A. F. Bromige this handicap, but I also cannot Sir, I ain Murray, in his article, appreciate the need for the ever increasing complexity and (March 2), says that the micromultiplicity of functions of the complexity of th

beds and darn socks

Whether this is diterally true or not, the peak of petroleum and natural gas production, and its decline are clearly visible.

The Department of Energy complaining of competition from countries whose governing this fact to consumers by ments have an ostrich-like artistic whose governments have an ostrich-like artistic production of the countries of the countries whose governments have an ostrich-like artistic production of the countries whose governments have an ostrich-like artistic production.

much more seriously.
Yours faithfully,
W. R. HAWTHORNE,
Churchill College,
Cambridge CB3 0DS.

The 'unfair company :

Sir, I am writing to express the concern of the eight member organizations of Rural Voice, an alliance of national organizations representing rural communities, about the future of the Council for Small Industries in Rural Areas (CoSIRA).

It is now 20 months since the of the needs of rural businesses, and its close links to hundreds of such businesses on the ground, should not be weakened. Indeed, we believe the present economic difficulties, and the vital importance of small firms of all kinds to the health of the rural economy, call for the continued extension of CoSIRA's remit to cover car perk From Mr R. T. W. Rumsey From Mr K. T. W. Rumsey
Sir, A heading on the Management page of your Business
News section (March 2) reads
How fair is the company
car?
In truth it is completely call for the continued extension of CoSIRA's remit to cover shops, garages and other small enterprises in rural areas. Moreover, the close links between CoSIRA and the Development Commission need to be strengthened to their mutual benefit rather than weakened. For this reason, we should prefer to see CoSIRA retained in its present form with

In truth it is completely unfair. How it ever came to be riewed as a perk completely baffles me. The provision of a car together with tax, insurance and maintenance has always been seen as part of the salary of the person to whom the vehicle has been allocated. The

ventue has been anotated and actual cash part of his salary is adjusted accordingly.

The true value of the provision of the company car is never taken into consideration when assessing the employee's pension and as a result any unfortunate. "enjoying" the benefit of this so-called perk has the certain knowledge that upon retirement his pension upon retirement his pension will be much less than he would have enjoyed had he received a salary which would have allowed him to provide his own vehicle together with the associated running costs.

By fostering the principle of providing a vehicle and attaching to this a curious status, the majority of the employers in Britain effectively reduce their pension fund commitment and

pension fund commitment and most certainly reduce the standard of living of their retired employees. Ironically, the re-duced pension falls upon those employees who, during their working life, were deemed to be of sufficient standing within the company to merit the use of a company vehicle... In other words, those that serve the compage best tan expect to end up with only a limited recognition of their services.

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banish for ever the druggery of domestic life and he seems surplised that a sample of house comed the earlier models of wives experienced some clothes and dishwashing anxiety at being confronted machines and of tumbler dryers with and being expected to because these had few properate a Prestel receiver, a grammes and no symbols. I wonder whether mainfacturers settle recorder and a microwave appreciate that many women like to feel "in control" of Yours sincerely, R. T. W. RUMSEY, Eycotwood Comage, Nr Cirencester, Gloucestershire.

The advantage of a washing machine is that clothes can be soon back in use but its advantage is reduced if one has to Currency some use in any of the four tage is reduced if one has marticles she was confronted wait days to collect sufficient with she would have been able articles for a particular process operate them as well as she gramme.

There two electronic "marting marking and operate her cooker, wash
The way two electronic "marting marking or seeing vels" in my kitchen an oven difficulties at the banks From Mr Gordon C. Fenton

vels" in my kitchen — an oven and a numbler dryet—on which Sir, is Mr J. H. E. Whiteley (Letters, February 24) fully aware of the freedom we now the symbols are so unintelligible that I need to have their meanings stuck to adjoining cupboards. Perhaps a man's enjoy in transferring funds overseas due to the abolition of exchange control? May I suggest he tries one of the fol-lowing methods in the future instead of walking the city symbol is a woman's mystery.
The numbler dryer is a great improvement on my old one, as streets to no avail :

(1) post equivalent value of sterling bank notes; (2) post his own sterling che-

into it is much larger and is permanently vented to outside the house. However, it has a multiplicity of programmes (I think eleven) of which I only use two those for cottons and for manuade fibres. For the latter, I have a choice as to whether or not I wish to income set thirts. and bed linen. — surely most of us do?

Similarly, I am puzzled by another programme. This blows cold air to remove unpleasant smells — can any really remain after a machine wash?

I hope these comments with a carrier a ster-by the international "Swift" acrice. A transfer of this kind can be effected within 24 hours.

All the above methods can be effected from one's desk, without complications, identify cation or complications. own bankers to transfer a ster-

Those these comments will thermore methods 1 and 2 do help manufacturers increase not involve charges and Mr their understanding of house. Whiteley could have retained wives needs. help manufacturers increase, their understanding of house, these. Yours faithfully, G. C. FENTON Alqueria la Rana, Susans Lane, Sittingbourne,

# from technofear Laucashire L34 2QL. Not only do I labour under March 2, Buying a car from British Leyland From Mr John L. Joly in our Piccadilly office. They our London off

wives needs.
Yours truly,

ANN BROOKE ---Keasdon 13 Central Avenue

Eccleston Park,

Prescot. Laucashire L34 2QL.

From Mr John L. Joly
Sir, Having heard so often of
the difficulties facing British
Leyland, I wonder whether the
following exchange of telexes
between them and my company
might perhaps provide some
clue to their problems?
Ours of 6.2.31: "Wishing to
order Mini station wagon for
our London office. Any chance
available second half March.

On 11.281 we sent the fol-lowing reminder and had an "on the spot" exchange. Ours: "We would appreciate receiving your reals to the receiving your reply to our.... Theirs: "Do not know for whom this message intended, I presented other one to Middle
East director in Solihuli last
time. If you can please give
me a name I will try to get
results for you."
Ours: "We wish to buy one
of your cars in England Would

of your cars in England. Would you please reply to our original Theirs: "This is Head Office here we have no cars. Please say what kind of car and I will

pass. "Our relex to you of 6-231 stated that we wish to purchase Mini station wagon."

in our Piccadilly office. They will assist I'm sure."

BL telexed us on 12.281:
"Your telex has been referred

the office was not yet manned but would be as from March 16. We gave the address and telephone number, together with the hame of our solicitors for reference: purposes. We added . But please place order for car now and advise cost

and colour."

On 162.81 a different BL British cars were frowned office relexed us: "Re Mini upon; nowadays British cars station wagon London office are rarely seen. Sadly, one Please clarify whether unit is understands only too easily required in UK (RND or LED) why, or in Lebanon Can then quote Yours faithfully, delivery/price Please reply by JOHN L. JOLY, return ..."

Henry Heald and Company

in our Picradilly office. They will assist I'm sure."

BL: elexed us on 12.281:

"Your telex has been referred to us at the marfree sales centre in Piccadilly. Do you wish to purchase this vehicle for export...?"

We replied on 13.281: "As stated in our original telex, we want it for our Loodon office. Please could you quite price and delivery...?"

BL: "Re your inquiry right hand drive Mini estate for delivery in UK please advise whether vehicle to be retained in UK or to be used on temporary basis and then exported in UK or to be used on temporary basis and then exported in UK or to be used on temporary basis and then exported in UK. There is no question office in UK. There is no question of exporting it. Do hope that this is now clear..."

We replied on 14.2.81 that the office was not yet manned but would be as from March 16. We gave the address and lacked here..."

Selection of 19.2.81 we received from BL: "Re your inquiry right hand drive Mini estate for delivery in UK or to be used on temporary basis and then exported in UK. There is no question of exporting it. Do hope that this is now clear..."

More than two weeks have passed, considerable telex expenses have been incurred and BL have come very close to lacked. BL have come very close to losing a sale. I wonder how long it would have taken to secure a Renault 5 or a Fiat 127? The telex exchange is still going on In my father's day employees in this company who had non-

Henry Heald and Company

Who would a Chancellor of the Exchequer be? Rarely can a Chancellor have found himself so friendless in the run-up to a Budget; and it is not as if Sir Geoffrey Howe can have high hopes of winning many new friends tomorrow, whatever he says. For this, inevitably, is going to be a Budget of compromise. It is also going to be a Of compromise, it is also going to be a Budget in which the Chancellor and his scriptwriters will require all their presentational skills. On the one hand, the Chancellor must make the case for a more flexible approach to the conduct of policy. On the other, he must show that this is consistent with the Government's continuing determination to pursue a medium-term disinflationary policy to its ultimate con-

The Chancellor's task is a formidable one. When one looks back over the past 18 months the tale is not reassuring : failure to control the broader monetary aggregates as planned; serious doubts over the correct interpretation to be placed on the behaviour of the various monetary measures; the larger-than-forecast fall in output and employment; the uneven spread of this contraction; the failure to get on top of public spending and borrowing.

Against this, one can note the greater mood of realism in at least some areas of wage bargaining, together with the streamlining and restructuring of some sectors of industry. Above all, the Government would probably claim that it is starting to win the battle against inflation.

Overall, however, there can be no doubt that the balance sheet to date is not particularly artractive. The Chancellor must have asked himself a hundred times over:

In spite of the falling level of pay settle-ments, it remains true that "expectations" have not, generally speaking, altered either as sharply or as rapidly as the numbers originally set out in the Medium Term Financial Strategy required.

The more serious problem, perhaps, is that the Government itself has failed to deliver on its own territory. It was faced



Sir Geoffrey Howe will present his third

with considerable inherited difficulties on the public sector pay front, but it still cannot claim to have done well. Indeed, it cannot claim to have done especially well in any area of public spending; and it did, of course, grossly underestimate the size of the problem posed by the nationalized

In short, the assumptions on which year one of the MTFS were based have proved grossly over-optimistic. Fiscal policy has been out of line with monetary policy, and monetary policy itself rather too ambitious. As a result, interest rates and the exchange rate have borne too much of the regulatory burden, a fact that has tended to aggravate the situation further.

That the high exchange rate has helped on the inflationary front is not, of course, to be sneezed at. But it now leaves the Government with the additional problem of how to sustain the downward path of inflation given that the exchange rate has already slipped back and could well fall

So what does the Chancellor do? Clearly, a savage Budget is not on. It is accepted that it would lack credibility and almost certainly prove counter-productive in the medium term, even if it hastened a fall in interest rates in the short term.

Likewise, a generally (as opposed to selectively) reflationary Budget should be a non-starter. There is already little enough margin for the Government if it wishes to avoid increasing the risk of renewed inflationary pressures later this year. The underlying rate of inflation has been in single figures for some months now, yet shows no sign of dropping further.

The Chancellor, it seems (taking in the measures proposed last November), will produce a moderately deflationary package. But if that appears a realistic compromise, it will not in itself make the conduct of policy nonceably easier.

The expectation of reduced interest rates has already lowered sterling in the foreign exchange markets. It would be foolhardy to expect that there will be no inflationary trade-off for any higher output secured as a result of this.

Secondly, whatever the Chancellor says about monetary control, it appears that the approach in practice is going to be prag-matic. In other words, the Chancellor will have to take some delicate decisions on interest rate policy as the year wears on and, as for as markets are concerned, the proof of the pudding will have to be in the

Finally, the Government still faces an enormous task in bringing public spending under better control, particularly public sector pay. Until it does that, the real burden of taxation is likely to go on increasing — or the Prime Minister will finally have to consider more radical methods of tackling the problem.

#### Monopoly policy Case by

case

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission will be working overtime in the next few months to deal with the sudden rush of merger references which have landed at its doors. Within a couple of weeks Lonrho's bid for the rest of House of Fraser has been referred followed by the proposed takeover of Davy Corporation by the Texas energy group Enserch Corporation. Then followed the decision to refer both the European Ferries approach for Sealink and the merger of the two cross-channel hover-

The two latter references are fairly clearcut. Both give rise to obvious worries about the effect on competition and meet the market share criteria laid down under the 1973 Fair Trading Act. The Lourho/Fraser and Davy/Enserch mergers are different. Both meet the asset criteria under the Act

Mr Biffen's policy-forgetting about the more bizarre area of newspapers mergersdoes not seem to differ from that if his predecessor at the Department of Trade, Mr Nort, who said last summer that the Government planned a tougher and more sceptical approach to mergers and he held out a particular warning for conglomerate mergers. However, he rejected the more precise and formal approach to merger policy suggested by the last Government's Green Paper. As he demonstrated by the decision not to refer Thorn's bid for EMI, he favoured a case-by-case approach.

The advantages of such a flexible policy are self-evident in a country where promoting competitiveness in the domestic market is not necessarily compatible with promoting international competitiveness. And a further disadvantage of precise, statutory criteria is that it can only encourage the kind of meaningless financial manoeuvring which Lourho has been indulging in to try and escape an investigation of its bid for The Observer.

How much mergers should be encouraged or discouraged is a different matter. But the crucial point here is that under the existing law the monopolies commission is only asked to decide whether a merger is likely to operate against the public interest. This to decide whether a merger is likely to operate against the public interest. This does not always make it easy to prevent pointless, empire-building agglomerations.

A British businessman, snatching a few days' rest in Jos, a hill station with modernate temperature, told me: "I

Survival is success in itself. Hugh Clayton reports on an industry under extreme pressure

# Why food prices have marked time

position of the mid-1970s, in which food led the inflationary spiral, has been reversed. Food is now making one of the most important contributions to holding down the rate of increase in the cost of living.

Despite steep increases in the prices of the fuel and machinery with which food is produced and distributed, many edible groceries cost little more than a year ago. A few items are slightly cheaper than in March 1930.

Not surprisingly, the state of food prices receives much less public scrutiny than it did five years. Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, occa-sionally congratulates himself, but

He said in answer to a recent parlia-mentary question from a Conservative: "He will be pleased to know that as a result of the static position in common agricultural policy prices during the agricultural policy prices during the past two years, for which this Government has responsibility, food prices baye increased far less than prices in general, and should continue in do so."

general, and should continue in do so."

Mr Walker's comment will bring no comfort to the thousands of employees at food factories and on farms whose jobs have disappeared.

It will surprise the statisticians at Mr Walker's ministry whose latest survey of household food consumption shows that sales of many items have fallen, and that shoppers are "trading down" by purchasing cheaper varieties of the same product. Nobody but Mr Walker will believe the CAP is the prime cause of static food prices.

The minister need not fear being pressed too hard by the Opposition, since in the mid-1970s it made the containing of food price inflation one of its main priorities. Yet the Labour government's panoply of subsidies and

AVERAGE SHOP PRICES (p/lb) Leg of pork ... Frezen chicken Cooking apples Cranges Chean margarine Instent cetten (100g) Tin of tomatoes (1502)

price control never achieved anything like the results now secured by the brutal operations of the free market. The trade union movement is also maintaining a wise silence at the moment. With the lone exception of the National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers, it called in the mid-1970s for a lower rate of food in-flation. That has now been achieved in a spectacular fashion, but only at the expense of the jobs of thousands of trade union members.

The food industry shares all of the difficulties experienced by other business sectors in the recession. Yet there is probably no other large sector of British industry where the recession has manifested itself quite so extensively through price cuts as well as through redundancies. The food indus-try has a few local difficulties which have helped to worsen its plight. Last year, as gardeners will recall, was a good one for home pro-

duce. Since an increasing proportion of home gardeners keep their crops in domestic freezers for the winter, the commercial distributors of processed fruit and vegetables have jost sales.

The food processing and retailing there is still a buoyant market for industries were suffering from over- expensive prepared dishes that enable the wealth; householder to effer attractive the meet a period in which the disposable incomes of many of their customers were cut through unemploying ment and short-time working the folding mell because they have a timestable shows how the recession.

lowing timetable shows how the recession has affected the food sector in the past six months. October 1980: Marks & Spencer announces first profit cut for 25 years; 3 1,000 redundancies announced by 1 chocolate and frozen food companies. November: United Biscuits to shed 1.700 jobs over two years: 500 redun-dancies announced at bakeries in Glasgow; Tesao scraps stoff Christmas

bonus for first time in 20 years.

December: 400 jobs to go at Lockwoods capning factory.

January, 1981: Imperial Group;
announces 430 redundancies at Smudley announces 430 redundancies at Smedie; canning lactory; Tate & Lyle decides to close Liverpool cane sugar refinery with loss of 1,600 jobs. February; job cuts announced by British Sugar Corporation. Buxted Poultry, Kraft Foods, Metal Box. March: Fisons announces 1980 loss on tertilizers; Lockwoods calls in a precipior.

calls in a receiver.

Whatever Mr Walker may say about the common agricultural policy, unemployment has had a greater effect in holding food prices back. The sectors of the food business which have prospered have been those which sell the cheapest and the dearest products.

The food business is always vulnerable to falls in household income. When the money coming into a family drops the money coming into a family drops, the family still has to pay its rent, rates

and fuel bills. It usually decides to keep its television set and its car, and if it smokes, it usually smokes on. Cuts often descend on food. At the upper end of the income scale,

little time spent on preparation.

Crisps are doing well because they are theap and, in sufficient quantity, filling. Frozen supreme de velaille is doing well, because it enables the affilient family to enjoy a complicated dish without taking the transle of

dish without taking the trouble of

preparing it.

It is in the middle income range and in the wide mainstream of the grocery market that the recession has taken its greatest toll. The best customers of the food industry are not the wealthy live in semi-rural commuter belts.

They spend a lot, but they are liable

to have jobs in which they expend little energy. They also tend to be lovel customers of health food shops, which are not widely supplied by the largest companies in the food industry. The favouring family of the food industry is one in what is or used to industry is one in what is, or used to be, a company rown. The family will have a father with some years to go to cetirement and three strapping sons, each of whom will carn a wage locally and contribute some of it to the family housekeeping money. The family's collective appetite will be gigantic, and the mother will take pride in satisfying it with immense joint; on Sundays, with impersence stews and chops through

Lippers, pies, stews and chops through The jets, stews and chops through the week.

That is the type of family at which the food industry aim; much of its advertising. It is ulso the type worst hit by the recession. It now uses margarine instead of butter. It no longer eats button and egg, for breakfast. Instead of filling its longh butter with beef sandwiches and fruit nies, it must now rely on instant bot

pies, it must now rely on instant pot modeles and biscuits



Bribery was used to help clear ships in Lagos harbour.

# The corruption that grips Nigeria

some extra money to help you.
Mind you, they will not ask for
it but you will know what to

As we spoke, a man in uniform demanded to see our pass-ports. My more experienced visitor advised against it without proof of the need to see the passports.

He told me : "In a moment he will threaten to arrest us. But all that will happen for now is that he will say your name is speit incorrectly or you date of birth is wrong and will offer to have this corrected or over-look the whole affair if pos-sible. That 'if possible' means money. Don't give in." We did not and the arrest threar was made. But in the end nothing came of it and he

went away. There is corruption on a large scale but nobody wants to be quoted, of course. A government official told me in Kano: "I am afraid we have all be-come used to this way of life and it will now take years to break the appalling habit."

but on the face of it, neither would lead to any concentration of market power which might operate against the public interest; instead, the arguments touch on the much more subjective and less tangible areas concerning public interest—the part of merger policy which is inevitably least predictable and most controversial.

A complaint of industrialists is that when the debate enters this realm—and because of the flexible and non-legalistic approach to mergers in the United Kingdom it frequently does—nobody knows quite where they are.

Business tan be expensive in know there is no such thing as a free lunch but here they want a free car to bring them to the country according lost or take forever. Phones do not work—I have not been able foreign airline official.

"What has happened is that week—lifts do not work and goods are in short supply but there is always someone who international trade. If one can get you anything you want occurrence of the oil and or not. Regrettably one has to someone, somewhere will want someone, somewhere will want someone extra money to help you. go under."

A container terminal official said: "Corruption is a way of life, I suppose, but it all started in the days of the backlog in the port at Lagos. It could have taken months and months to get your goods cleared even with paying a corrupt official, so one paid more."

one paid more."

Others pur corruption down to envy and the wealth in the wake of the oil industry.

A hotel manager in Port Harcourt suggested: "It is creeping in a Europeans offer bigger tips to get extras. It is almost coming to the point where the waiters will want a tip to tell a customer what is on the menu. It is ridiculous and worrying."

Back in London, I asked the Inland Revenue information service whether I could charge the corruption money against

the corruption money against income tax. I explained the corruption was not in the United Kingdom but in West Africa. "Oh you have been to Nigeria, have you, sir?"

It cannot be charged as backhanders or bribery, per se, but apparently one has to use one's common sense.

# Black days for white goods

Cooker sales were quite buoyant last spring, their usual seasonal peak. But that was virtually the last bit of good cheer the £900m a year kitchen appliance market has had.

Hoover, the market leader in automatic washing machines and cleaners, has just recorded its first loss since setting up a British operation in 1937 and late last week it announced a series of redundancies.

Some 300 jobs are to go at Merthyr Tydfil where it makes automatic washing machines, another 400 at Cambuslang in Scotland where cylinder cleaners and small appliances are assembled and 200 employees will be made redundant at Perivale, Middlesex, the factory which produces upright

cleaners. Almost every other manufac-turer in the industry has also had to resort to short time or redundancies. Even Philips, the Dutch electrical giaut, which has sucreeded in avoid-ing short time in Britain, has been affected. It has had to postpone a planned factory ex-tension in Hallfax, Yorkshire, which was designed to cope with a big sales push in the medium-price, high volume front loader washing machine

retailers frantically With destocking since last April and consumers delaying their pur-chases of washing Flachines, cleaners and refrigeration equipment as long as possible, the manufacturers have seen no way to increase prices in line with cost inflation.

An abiding problem for the white goods manufacturers is the high level of imports. In washing machines the competinon comes mainly from Italian manufacturers like Zanussi, Indesit and Candy, Makers of cylinder cleaners face a threat from a different quarter—very low cost imports from eastern

low cost imports from eastern Europe. These goods have been so cheap recently that the EEC is considering whether an autidumping case should be brought.

Last year there seemed to have been a very small respite in the ouslaught when import penetration in automatic washers slid back from 45.2 per cent to 41.6 per cent and per cent to 41.6 per cent and in refrigeration products from 51 per cent to 47 per cent of deliveries.
But no one is drawing much

John Keeble comfort from that. The fall-off seems to have been largely in

#### Derek Harris

goods frem Italy and owed much to two particular events: a temporary halt in supplies from Indesit, which was having financial problems, and the ending of an own-label supply contract with Zenussic Converse. General Electric Company's

Rotpoint subsidiary.

Indesit is now back in the market and Zanussi—which is advertising very heavily on television—is apparently spending more than Hoover on a market-ing campaign aimed at boosting British sales under the Zanussi label and the associated Zoppas ттаде паше.

Imports, of course, are not the only problem. Exporting is becoming a lot more difficult. Hoover and Electrolux, the Swedish multinational which manufactures vacuum cleaners, refrigerators and freezers at Luton, Bedfordshire, export a-large proportion of their pro-

The two companies between vacuum cleaner exports. Hoover exports more than 50 per cent of all British washing machines and Electrolux claims twothirds of British refrigerator exports.

In normal times that is a positive advantage. But the strong pound has meant that strong pound has meant that margins bre being hammered, says Mr Jimmy James, Electrolux's managing director.

"The currency effect could put up British goods prices abroad by between 20 per cent and 30 per cent yet one cannot pull out of these markets:

you, would never get them back." Something has to be done

hecause, with the white gonds market as a whole down 7.5 per cent in volume last year on an annual comparison, the earliest chance of a market upturn is probably next year. Cyclically

the market is then due for an upture, recession permitting. The Electrolux response to the squeezed marker in white goods is expected to be a widen ing of its range and a deter-mined attack on more sectors. The same thing is bappening at Philips. Hoover so far has not taken that route although there are signs of some diversification, at present into a rango

of home safety goods. But Hoover's main thrust will still be more up-market, relying not only on the more reliable electronic circuitry found in the new ceneration of washers but on the higher spin sneed machines which it pioneered in Britain.

In the wake of the Hoover redundancies talk in the trade is revolving round the possi-bility of at least a couple of independent manufacturers going to the wall, probably one in the wosher sector and the

other in refrigeration.

At least one of the bicaer white goods companies mishibe wound down if profitability continues to suffer, it is being That might make it easier for

the survivors but new features to keep ahead of the market share battle. An example is a Philips inpovation, developed with ICI, of a plastic tub for washing machines that in volume production will be cheaper because better stability simplifies the engineering. The tub, which is not the stainless steel liner drum to be seen Inside a machine but the water holder outside it, should also offer cheaper running costs because of less water heat loss.

The other challenge for the

British makers is how far they can keep price rises within the inflation rate. That puts the emphasis on bringing internal costs down—which means a lot more jobs at risk before turn to new machinery to improve productivity.

# Business Diary profile: Servants no longer civil

The Civil Service unions today embark upon a challenge to the Government unprecedented in the history of both, a challenge that could prove a watershed in industrial relations for state employees formerly noted for their moderation.

To mount an overt political challenge to a government, particularly a Conservative administration, would have been unthinkable 10 years ago for a grouping of unions which had been regarded by the trade union movement as almost part of the establishment.

The inherent moderation still exists among many of the 530,000 white collar staff organized by the nine unions in the Council of Civil Service Unions. but there has been a perceptible change in attitudes over the past few years. No longer are the servants as civil as they

When John Ward's First Division Association of civil servants, which represents top officials up to, and including, the rank of permanent secretary, votes to join a campaign of industrial action, government ministers must realize that things are not what they used

The nine unions represent such a disparate group of people, a large proportion of whom vote Conservative, that it is remarkable there should be any agreement on a programme

undermine government policies. Today's one-day strike is the opening shot in what could be a prolonged campaign of highly

of industrial action designed to selective action with about 2,000 civil servants in key areas called out on strike at any one time. Lord Soames, the Lord President of the Council, and the



Guerrilla warfare threatens in the Civil Service: Lord Soames (right), Lord President of the Council and Civil Service minister, and, from top to bottom, Bill Kendall, Tony Christopher, Bill McCall and Ken Thomas, the Civil Service trade union leaders.

Civil Service minister, has re-

ciation, which has 220,000 mem-bers who are in the main low aid clerical workers and 8,000 members.

8,000 members.

The CPSA has a history of long and bitter internal political warring, which to some extent has been muted for the time being since the right won overwhelming control of the executive in a new "pithead" style ballot last spring.

Mrs Kate Losinska, wife of a Polish Rattle of Britain pilot and staunch opponent of the left, this year seeks reelection

left, this year seeks reelection as president of the union while at the same time travelling the country urging support for the campaign of action in her role as chairman of the council.

The CPSA with its right-wing leadership is now in the moderate camp and with the leadership of only one of the unious, Gerry Gillman's Society of Civil and Public Servants leaning to-ward the left, the Government must have been confident that the unions would not be pre-pared to join battle this year. The reason why the unions are united, and who knows how long that unity is going to last.

is a sense of common grievance

at what they see as successive

Civil Service minister, has re- attacks by the Government on turned from his triumph in the Civil Service, culminating in or another sort on the home from.

The nine unions in the council range from Ken Thomas's Civil and Public Services Association, which has 220,000 man

unions' industrial muscle. In addition to having around eight in ten white collar civil servants as members, and in some government departments it is as high as nine, their members work in crucially-important areas of government operations. Tony Christopher's Inland Revenue Staff Federation has many of its 50,000 members in key positions in PAYE tax computer centres.

Then there is Gillman's Society of Civil and Public Servants (105,000 members) and Bill McCall's Institution of Pro-fessional Civil Servants (100,000 members) which in the main represents higher grades, with the former able to cause disthe former gole to cause our ruption among customs staff and in the VAT computer centre at Southend while the institution's membership in-cludes air traffic and sea port controllers, scientists and naval dockyard staff.

dockyard staff.
The 40,000 members of Les
Moody's Civil Service Union
include messengers, chanfleurs,
members of the Royal Household (exempted by the Union
from striking-today) and staff
in Parliament, as well as cleaners and security staff.
Tom Casey's Association of

Government Supervisors and Radio Officers, with about 10,000 members, could play a significant role in the campaign should the unions carry out their threat to escalate the action if the Government retaliates by suspending workers involved in the disruption.

In addition to controlling computerized stores in the Ministry of Defence, the associa tion has members who work in sensitive communication centres such as the General Communications Headquarters at Cheltenham.

The Council of Civil Unions was established last May to succeed the Civil Service National Whitley Council (Staff Side) which was the previous representative body at national level. The aim was to increase lay involvement in decisionmaking at the highest level and also to reflect the greater awareness that the unions were "coming out" and are no longer to be regarded as staff associations.

The secretary general of the council is Bill Kendall, a man given to reading works of the great philosophers. At the moment he is ploughing through Pascal, who somewhere here says: "Whatever the tone of the play, the final act is bloody".

Curtain up is today.

David Felton

The THURTY-FER RTH Annual Control Meeting of Best brooker Limited bold at the Registered Office of the Company, 9 Cas. Street, Danies on Finders, 6th March, 1981. The following are extracts from the available Statement of the Chairman,

BETT BROTHERS LIMITED

Accounts

I have pleasure in submitting my Report to the Shareholders on the Accounts of the Company for the year ended 31st August, 1980.

The Group Profit for the year ended 31st August, 1980, after meeting all charges, including depreciation, but before providing for taxation, amounted to [2,262,795 as compared with [2,309,30] in the previous year.

After providing for taxation and deducting minority interests, the profit amounted to [1,078,520 as compared with [3,185,349] in the previous year. An Interim Ordinary Dividend of L2000p per share has been paid and the

An interim Ordinary Involved of Legoup personare has oven pain and the Directors, taking into consideration the improvement in Crossp Profit as compared with our estimate, now recommend a Final Dividend of Legoup pershare payable on 9th March, 1981, making a total distribution for the year of 3 1000p per share, compared with 2.5000p for the prostous year.

Certain shareholders waived the interim dividend aggregating 126, 202 net, thereby reducing the cost of dividends to the Company from 1405,000 to 1230,775 a saving of (105,225 (1979-184,490).

Trading Activities

Lam pleased to report that both turnover and profit havy been maintained.

I am pleased to report that both turnover and profit have been maintained at variations; levels despite the adverse trading conditions under which our Company has had to operate during the term

Whilst remaining selective in tendering for open compensive work in the metal contracting sector of the industry, several worthwhile contracts were basined and work on these contracts has been progressing smoothly. Private bousing sales were maintained at an acceptable level in the light of a depressed market suffering from the effects of high interest rates and

origage restraint.
Although the majoreon tribution forwards turnover and production united to flow from these construction activities, the diversified activities of the Croup. made an enhanced contribution as compared with the previous year. The volume of work on offer to the building industry continues to decline

and fierce competition has reasserted itself in the competitive lender sector.

I foresee little improvement in this situation during the ensuing tacket months and we will do well to maintain turnover in this sector in our deter-

numation to protect profitability.

I expect the reduction in interest rates announced in November 1980 to stimulate demand in the private housing sector, especially now that the Building Societies have followed the Burks with a lowering of their mortgage rates, and our Company is well equipped to take advantage of an improved singuism in this field. Hook forward, also, to increased contributions towards profits from our

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# Dry cargo sector lifts gloom

further into the gloomy depths last week and only some drastic action by the owners or a major crisis influencing oil demand can seemingly provide hope of a recovery in the short term.

In the absence of such a crisis it is, as a number of brokers have recently suggested, up to the owners to act cither by laying up tonnage or by sending some of their older vessels for scrapping, However, owners are reluctant to lay up their tankers because in the past it has proved to be an expensive occupation and the second option is also unattrac-tive as demand for scrap ar present is very low.

ing a number of the loading has increased by about two areas of late but the Gulf is by million tons since the beginning far the hardest hit. At the end
of the last month some 30
ULCC and VLCCs were waiting
for cargoes in the Gulf with nore than 20 more expected to arrive during March. With the current low weekly level of bookings for such vessels there are too many ships chasing too few cargoes. It is, therefore, perhaps ironical that the world's largest tanker, the 565,000-ton Seawise Giant, was fixed last week to transport a

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engaged that by last month this had slipped to some 15.2 mil-

Over capacity has been affectof laid up tanker tonnage which million tons since the beginning of the year and now totals around nine million tons. While this helped, a far greater amount of tonnage will have to become inactive before a more positive impression can be made on the prevailing market breakers rate levels.

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Alarket performance over the last seven days has been subdued with even the Caribbean zone, the one black spot in tanker chartering over recent weeks, declining. The immediate part cargo of 350,000 tons from outlook can only be described

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Another depressing factor is that the volume of tankers booked through the latter part of 1980 with options of storage periods included after their vovages is also falling. the market for several months. voyages is also falling.

In January nearly 80 vessels of 18 million tons was so and grain it seems unlikely this

will change for some time Demand for coal tended to dominate market transactions last week, Interest in North American coal was keen in spite of fears of strike action in the mines when the renewal of a labour contract falls due lion tons.

Counteracting this, to some degree, is the rise in the volume preferring to await events. later this month. Because of

In grain activity there was some easing in rates for trans-atlantic shipments, as illustrated by a 70,000 tonner securing \$17.50, reflecting a fall of some two dollars on earlier business. Bookings from the Continent to North Africa and the Middle East remained a feature. Among other voyage business was an inquiry for tonnage to cover the movement of between 110,000 and 170,000 tons of sugar from Cuba to Canada in 20/25,000 tons lots between mid-April and late September.

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condition that optimistic market participants prefer to describe as base building for a future rally, writes AP—Dow

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traditional Eurobond, borrowers are still reluctant to pay current market rates, which require coupons of between 14.50 per cent and 14.75 per cent. Thus, there seems to be little danger of supply pressures arising from either a flood of new issues ar demu-

flood of new issues or demping of unsold bonds held by underwriters, analysts say. While there has been little supply pressure, there has also been little client demand, dealers say, Indeed, the available evidence indicates that inves-tors are still allowing the cash Now from their bond partialias to accumulate in short-term instruments. At the moment, bank deposits yield more than

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argue that there is not yet any evidence of a significant business recession developing in the United States, which would normally drive interest rates down, "Current economic Indi-cators in the United States, still suggest that no clear trend has yet emerged as to the course of the economy", Mr Charles Geisst, a bond ana-lyst at Hill Samuel and Co,

Mr lan Kerr, who is in charge of the Eurobond research at Kidder Peabody International, says that the United States Government borrowing requirement will be in the region of \$90,000m for the fiscal year ending in Sep-tember. "As much of this debt burden will be financed in the short end of the market, ref-

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These are difficult times for anyone administering an international commodity agreement. The IWC is prolonging the 1972 convention by two years to June 30, 1983, because it cannot agree on another course. The ICCO has been adjourning meetings since last March to avoid liquidating itself, although to be fair the last meeting did bring conciliatory noises from the Ivory Coast.

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The full ITC discussions begin in Geneva today. Here again we see evidence of life again we see evidence of the after death, with the extension of the Fifth International Tin Agreement to the end of June, 1982. While the Malaysians, who have an influential posi-tion in the tin world, think that accord might be reached this time, the unknown factor is the United States which at the last count was still publicly pushing for a buffer stock bigger than the proposed 50,000 tonnes.

Not that problems with the world's greatest consumer are confined only to consumption. As the biggest wheat producer, the change in the United States Administration has cast a shadow over the wheat talks. It is pointed out that interpreting American policy on commodity agreements has not been helped by the absence of senior officials. By the end of last week only three top appointments had been made to the United States Department of Agriculture.

With some shrewdness, therefore, the new proposals being discussed by the IWC and sounded among members offer an alternative which avoids the over several years. Hence the

the different countries' needs currency. sultation rather than through a mechanism which can respond to specularive or currency in-fluences unrelated to the supply in the market and the has been forced to sell at prices occasionally desperate food re-quirements of some countries. Whether it is speedier and is not more open to political manipulation is another matter.

#### Commodities

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But these talks, which are to be resumed in Madrid in June, will be held against a background of quite good harvest expectations, The JWC is looking to a record world wheat crop of perhaps 470 million tonnes during 1981-82, com-pared with 453 million tonnes in the expiring crop year. This is the minimum harvest needed to meet projected consumption of around 460 million tonnes and allow for some stock rebuilding after the depreda-tions of the last two years or

So far the weather has been kind, even in the Soviet Union, and the United States crop looks like being another record. Good barvests are likely in China and India as well. But the IWC is cautious about the charge of expend about the chances of expanding American wheat output much further. Although land is available, either by using marginal property or by replacing less profitable crops such as oats and barley, and despite better water management and better water management and fertilizers the cost will be

Such investment is unlikely

which, although of considerable importance, are not public consulted on selling or with rations, as often as not, provide the venues, and last week London saw a host of such meetings as those of the International organical as the International organical as the International organical as the International organical organical as the International organical organical

That is not the problem facing the ICCO. With cocoa prices so depressed, the pro-ducers and exporters are the countries facing balance of payments crises. The Ivory Coast more than 20 cents a pound less than the 110 cents mini intervention price set for the new buffer stock, should it ever come into operation. Ghanaian cocoa farmers in Ashanti were reported last week to be felling cocoa trees because the price is so low and the Cocoa Marketing Board has not paid them

even that. The Ivory Coast's failure to gain even the minimum intervention price for its crop may have caused it to rethink its opposition to the buffer stock range. Whatever the motive, there is no doubt that Mr Denis Bra Kanon, the Agriculture Minister, was well received by delegates at last week's meeting. They seemed convinced that the price range could be negotiated anew, and that the Ivory Coast, responsible for about 25 per cent of world cocoa production, will sign the agreement. The ICCO group of experts will report back on its findings at the beginning of April.

It may also be that tin will finally be settled around the same time as well. The poor countries do not want the prorata cost of a buffer stock as big as that envisaged by the United States and the very last thing they want is continued sales of tin by the General Services Administration. Unless the new administration is overadamant it will have to com-promise on both these points if not give way. Otherwise, your correspondent will be donning his trenchcoat again.

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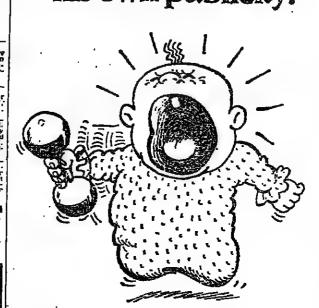
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## Commercial property

# Shopping centre for Leicester

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Tesco in competitive tender.
The council has granted a 125year lease for a premium payment of £2m and an initial ground rent of £200,000 a year. The design submitted by Tesco was prepared by the local architectural company of Gordon White and Hood. It provides a total of 200,000 sq ft of overall shopping space, with a net sales area of about 135,000 sq fr.

The total area will include a Tesco superstore of about 60,000 sq ft net, two further mediumsized stores and 40 shops, together with a garden centre, a public house and a market area for about 40 stalls under a

To be known as the Beaumont Leys Centre, the development is designed to integrate with nearby housing schemes and with the recreational complex to be developed by the council and others.

There will be public parking for 940 cars in six locations. It is expected that work on the site will begin this summer and construction work early next year with the new superstore in operation before Christmas 1983.

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Highwoods is designated the main out-of-town shopping centre in the Colchester area and is expected ultimately to contain up to 150,000 sq ft of retail accommodation, at least 30,000 sq ft of offices, plus leisure and community facilities. French Kier is shortly to hold discussions with the local planning authority to consider the next phase of the development.

Further retail space is planned in Farnham, Surrey, where J. Sainsbury has acquired a freehold site with a frontage of 440 ft to South Street. It plans a store with a total area of about 36,000 sq fr, plus three standard shops which will be available for leas-

ing when completed.

There will also be a two-storey park for 226 cars, to be operated by the Waverley District Council. The commercial department of Weller Ergar, of Farnham, acted for Sainsbury in acquiring the

ment at the corner of Garrard Street and Marchants Place is to be funded by the Equitable Life Assurance Society. A building contract worth £3.1m has gone to Bovis Construction and work has started for completion in the summer of 1982.

The building, designed by Barton Willmore and Partners, will provide about 50,000 sq ft on lower ground, ground and four upper floors. It is to be finished in brick and will be air-conditioned. Richard Ellis introduced the investment to Equitable Life and is joint letting agents with Martin Pole John D. Wood. In Birmingham, the Bank of England is to let surplus office



The Bank of England building in Temple Row, Birmingham, in which surplus office space is available for leasing.

space in its Birmingbam branch in Bank Chambers, Temple Row. Edwards Bigwood and Bewlay has been appointed letting sgent and is quoting a rent of £40,000 a year for the 5,290 sq ft of airconditioned space in two selfcontained suites of 4,735 sq ft and 555 sq ft with a ground floor entrance in Temple Row. Built in the early 1970s, the property overlooks Cathedral Square.

Standard Lite Assurance, of Edinburgh, which recently acquired the freehold of the former MG works at Abingdon, Oxfordshire, has applied for planning permission to refurbish about 300,000 sq it of the 410,000 sq fr of existing buildings and to construct new buildings totalling over 500,000 sq ft space for ware-housing and industrial use, with ancillary offices.

The total scheme is planned for completion by 1985 and will cost over 220m. Work on refurbishment is expected to start within three months, with the first units ready for occupation at the beginning of 1982. Letting is through Phoenix Beard, of London, the main agents.

Planning consent has been obtained and work started on a new industrial estate on the site of the former Drayton railway station, near Norwich.

The scheme is being carried out in phases by A. S. Nelson (Builders), who is constructing light industrial and warehouse nursery units. The first phase comprises six units of 1,000 sq ft each, and four units of 1,500 sq ft each. Letting is through Temples, of Norwich, which reports a strong demand, with applications for several units in hand, at rents of £2.75 a sq ft.

The first phase is expected to be ready in May and ultimately a total of about 45,000 sq ft is planned for the four-acre site. It will be known as the Drayton Industrial Estate.

Dunning Commercial Developments, a subsidiary of A. J. Dunning and Sons (Weyhill), has sold the freehold interest in its

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industrial and warehouse development at Ealing Road, Brentford, to Pearl Assurance (Unit Fund) for over £1.6m. The site was developed to provide about 34,000 sq ft of accommodation and has now been fully let at rents averaging over £3.25 a sq ft.

Conway Relief, who acquired the site for the developers, also let and sold the completed scheme. Pearl Assurance (Unit Fund) was represented by Edward Erdman, who has been retained as managing agents of the investment, which was intro-duced by Mason Philips.

A planning application to develop a marina complex at the head of Portsmouth Harbour has been made by the Hedley Greentree Partnership, architects, of Portsmouth, on behalf of Arlington Securities, Taylor Woodrow and Whithread Wessex. The scheme would be known as Port Solent and has been evolved over a number of years, with substantial research on the generation of water-borne traffic. It is thought that the new berths would contribute to local boat building and ancilliary industries. The scheme will be presented to the local authority later this year.

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11.00 Film 81 : Barry Norman re-



6.40 am Open University:
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10.00 Focus: The ninth of ten
programmes on higher education.
10.25 A Taste of Work, A look at
schemes to help the unemployed.
Number Four: Project Fullemploy
(r): Interval at 10.50.
11.60 Play School: The presenters
are Carol Leader and Chris Tranchell and the story is Clarence the
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Charlton; 11.25 Write Away:
Barry Took with advice on writing
personal letters (r); Closedown at
11.40. Freddic Old, one of the characters of Roman Road, Bow, is in the first edition of Roots of England (BBC 2, 7.40 pm)

· World in Action Special's ambitious programme Inside the Cabinet (ITV, 8.00 pm) reconstructs, with the aid of eight role-playing journalists, the recent Cabinet discussions on government economic policy. World in Action does not claim that the programme is a verbatim account of the arguments that occurred in the Cabinet but believe that what the well-informed occurred in the Cabinet but believe that what the well-intermed journalists speak is as close as possible to what actually took place. The programme opens in a July 1980 meeting after Mrs Thatcher (Sarah Hogg, The Economist) returns from her boliday to discover that her principal ploy for beating inflation, control of the money supply, was not working, contrary to what she had been led to believe. Her reaction to that was to tighten public expenditure and to impose a disguised incomes policy which she vowed never to introduce. From that time various meetings are reconstructed up to and including the recent arguments concerning the miners. Among the journalists appearing are Hugh Stephenson of "The Times" (Sir Geoffrey Howe), Peregrine Worsthorne (William Whitelaw), Mark Schreiber (Sir Keith Joseph) and Adam Raphael (Jim Prior).

To take our minds away from the serious side of politics and what is in store for us tomorrow in the Chanceller's budget it is a pleasure to look forward to Yes Minister (BBC 2, 9.00 pm) which must be one of the funnicst comedy series seen on the small screen. I have sung its praises often enough before but with the paucity of humour available nowadays (as my colleague Peter Daralle pointed out last week) it is very difficult to recommend anything in the comedy line. This week Sir Humphrey seems to be having a difficulty in persuading the minister that the electronic surveillance equipment which his department supplies is a necessary evil. Not so says Jim and takes up a stance in defence of an individual's right to privacy. When his own life is in danger be quickly changes his mind.

• Unfortunately clashing with the World in Action reenactment is Michael Charlton's excellent series The Price of Victory (Radio 3, 8.00 pm) which looks at Britain's missed European opportunities after World War Two. This evening Mr Charlton reaches the point where Britain officially withdrew from discussions to create a European Economic Community and, for the first time in public Russell Bretherton, our representative at the Brussels meeting, gives his account of the conference and of our decision of non participation, Lord Butler, too, gives a startling and hitherto unpublished comment on British policy at

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edition Tommy Trinder continues the story of his career with a look at some of the films in which he has appeared. We also see a house built underground at the Ideal Home Exhibition: 1.45 Mister Men: Mr Noisy and Mr Sneeze (r). 2.01 For Schools, Colleges: Words and Pictures; 2.18 Geography; 2.40 Working in Food Manufactur-

2.15 pm Let's Go : Brian Rix with

advice for the mentally handi-capped. This afternoon he has bints on gardening (r): 2.30 Multi-Racial Britain; A series of

Muly-Racial Britain: A series of ten programmes designed to help racial harmony in Britain. Home Away from Home is the title of this the ninth in the series (r); 3.00 Embroidery: Jan Beaney with advice on Quilting (r); 3.30 Wain-wrights' Law: Number nine in a ten-part series on the rights and responsibilities of citizens in a

9.39 am For Schools: Understanding shapes: 9.47 Discovering Venice; 10.03 The art of disgoise; 10.23 Elementary arithmetic; 10.40 French conversation; 11.05 The Sea for deaf and bearing impaired children; 11.22 Picture Box; 11.39 Life with a Victorian doctor and his family.
12.00 Paperplay: Susan Stranks with puppets for the very young; 12.10 pm Rainbow; Educational puppets presented by Geoffrey Hayes; 12.30 Vet: Advice for pet owners. Today vet John Speer visits the country and learns about ponies.

1.00 News : read by Peter Sissons ;

1.20 Thames News: with Robin

1.30 Crown Court: A medium is accused of obtaining money by deception (r); 2.00 The Biordans: Drama series about an Irish rural

community.

2.30 Film: The Southern Star (1968): starring Ursula Andress and George Segal. This is loosely based on a story by Jules Verne and concerns an unscrupulous villain based in French West Africa

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3.90 When the Bough Breaks:
John Thaw with the eighth of ten
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Richard Baker (r); 3.55 Play School (shown earlier on BBC 21; 4.26 Secret Squirrel: Carnoon adventures of a nut-loving rodent; 4.25 Jackanory: John Duttine reads the lirst part of A Walk in Wolf Park by Mary Stewart; 4.40 Rentaghost: Comical adventures of a gang with a pet ghost; 5.05 John Craven's Newsround: Intelligently presented world news for young people; 5.10 Bine Pefer: The programme celebrates the Golden Jubilec of Guide Dogs for the Bilind, with flash backs to the dogs provided by Blue Peter viewers since 1964.
5.46 News: read by Jan Leeming; 5.55 Nationwide: Current affairs from studios all around the country plus the weekly look at reports of bureaucratic abuse, Watchdog: 6.55 Triangle: Part 19 of a drama series based on a North Sea ferry; 7.20 Star Trek: Hideously ugly people who possess beautiful dramatised form (r); Closedown

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4.15 Work and Leisure: The fourth in a series of five lectures. The speaker this afternoon is Shirley Williams: 4.40 Interval.
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dues Sioursic and the Banshees.
6.50 Artists in Print: Norman
Ackroyd is the first subject in a
new series that shows artists making original prints.
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Edwin Multins, continuing on the
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7.40 Roots of England: The first
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who is trying to steal a recently mined diamond called The

5.15 Money-Go-Bound: with Joan Sheoron and Tony Bastable. This week they investigate car dealers who advertise as private sellers and

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5.45 News: 6.00 Thames News: with Andrew Gardner and Rita Carter.

6.35 Crossroads: The notorious

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eavesdropping—until he discovers he is on a terrorist's death list. (See Personal Choice).

9.30 Hortzon: Gentlemen, Lift Your Skirts: This sounds a bit of a drag but it is about the skirt on a Formula One racing car and how it helps an already-rapid car goven faster. The narrator is Martin Jarvis.

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of the news that made today's
headlines.
11.35 Tele-Journal: The news in
French introduced by Marianne
Lawrence. The programme ends
at 12.05 am. of a series that looks at English

4.15 Dr Snuggles; 4.20 Graham's Ark: Graham Thornton visits the Southridge animal rescue centre in Potters Bar, Hertfordshire, and in Potters Bar, Herrfordshire, and talks to some of the menagers who have volunteered to look after the animals; 4.45 Heavens Above: Continuing their exploration and explanation of the galaxies Heather Couper and Terence Murtagh mrn their attention to the little known phenomena of black holes.

creatures she photographs in her own garden in Sydney; 7.30 Caronation Street: Emily Bishop is held hostage in her own home by her bigamous husband, Arnold Swain.

8.00 World in Action: Inside the Cabinet: A dramatized reconstruction, with journalists taking the leading roles, of the arguments that have been going on in Cabinet over the Government's economic policies. Sarah Hogg of The Economist plays the part of Mrs Thatcher and our own Fred Emery is defence secretary Francis Pym (see Personal Choice).

9.00 The Sweeney: Mercury is missing and Regan and Carter are hot on its trail (r).

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10.00 News.
10.30 Lon Grant: Another story featuring the believable city editor of the Los Angeles Tribune.
This evening the newspaper is trying to find out the cause of a mysterious swelling on a wastering edite. 6.35 Crossroads: The notorious Arthur Brownlow returns home to a frightening situation; 7.00 Nature Watch: Julian Pettifer meets Densey Clyne, an Australian housewife who has made a particular study of the deadly funnel-web spider. This and other small mysterious articles to file.

11.30 Rock Stage: Sad Café are the featured band tonlight and they are seen in concert at the Theatre Royal, Nottingham.

12.25 am Close: with Dr John Ral.

shop.
2.60 pm-3.00 Schools: Exploration
Earth: Listening and Reading II;
Speak: Movement and Drama 2.
11.00 Study on 4: World Powers
1200

8.45 BBC Sound Archives. 9.06 News. 10.00 News. Radio 3 10.45 Story : Love is Not Love, by H. E. Bates.

11.00 News. 11.05 li the Face Fits. 11.50 Poerry Please! 12.00 News. 12.02 pm You and Yours. 12.27 Joke by Joke by . .

Radio 4

6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Week. 6.30 Today. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.30, 8.20 Headlines. 8.35 The Week on 4.

10.02 Money Box. 10.30 Daily Service

9.25 Film: Brink's: The Great Robbery (1976) starring Carl Bett and Stephen Collins. A dramatized reconstruction of a robbery on a security vault in Boston, USA, in January 1950 when three million dollars in cash and securities were Buchwald.† 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One. 1.40 The Archers.

11.00 Film 81: Barry Norman Peviews The Great Santini, the story
of a US Marine fighter pilot starring Robert Duvall, and the
Wyoming pioneers' dram, Heartland, From New York Gene Wilder
talks about his new comedy film
Stir Crary in which he teams up
again with Richard Pryor.
11.30 In the Post: The penaltimate
programme for philatelists introduced by Gwyn Richards and Jill
Cochrane looks at the Great
Collections. 2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour. 3.00 News. 3.02 Play: Journey into Space, by Charles Chilton.†
4.35 Home Is . . . (3).
4.45 The Trumpet Major, by
Thomas Hardy (11).

S.80 PM. S.55 Weather. 6.80 News. 6.30 Frank Muir Goes Into Self-Collections. 11.55 News headlines and weather

Importance.†
7.60 News.
7.05 The Arche
7.20 Just a Min 7.20 Just a Minute.† 7.50 Play: Huasipungo, by Elizacommunities that have a strong link, with the past. Roman Road, Bow, is the subject this evening. 8.15 Marti Caine: The pretry singer/connedienne returns with another series of six programmes and her guests touight are Alfred Marks and Wayne Sleep. 9.00 Yes Minister: Jim Hacker is horrified when he learns his department is responsible for supplying bugging equipment and wants to stop these instruments of cavesdropping—until he discovers he is on a terrorist's death list.

7.30 Fig.; manageness, og 2...
beth Gowans.†
9.20 Senses of Occasion.
9.30 Kaleidoscope.
18.00 The World Tonight.
10.30 Science Now.
11.00 The Painted Veil (11). 11.15 Financial World Tonight. 11.30 Today in Parliament.

12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Shipping forecast. VHF 10.02 am Schools: Music Inter-lude: Noticeboard (1); Time to

10.30 Listen with Mother.

18.45-12.00 Schools: Da sind wir wieder! (6); Singing Together (17); Springboard; Drama Work-

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in the Twentieth Century (20), 11.30-12.19 am Open University: Earth's Physical Resources; Dr Benjamin Spock.

6.55 am Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Records: Boyce, Liszt, Donizetti, Tchaikovsky, Graunger. 8,00 News. 8.05 Records: Mendelssohn, J. C. Bach, Schumann (Sym 4).7 9.00 News. 9.05 Week's Composer : Clementi incl Sym 1).†
9.45 BBC Concert Orch/Alwyn:
Messager.†
10.59 Piano: Martinu, Kopelent,

lirak.† 11.35 Berlin PO/Atherton: Stra-vinsky, Prokoffey, Sibelius (Sym

vinsky, Prokofiev, Sibelius (Sym 1).†
1.00 pm News.
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Hickox (live from St John's):
Purcell (Dido).†
2.15 Marinee Musicale.†
3.15 Songs: Bartok, Bakki.†
4.00 New Records: Haydn, Bruth.†
4.05 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.†
7.00 Portrait of Jussi Björling.†
8.00 The Price of Victory (5). (See Personal Choice)
9.15 BBC Northern SO/Measham:
Stoker, Vaughan Williams (Sym 4).†

4).4 10.05 Story: Playing on the Line, by Gareth Jones. 10.30 Jazz in Britain. 11.00 News. 11.05-11.15 Record : Rosenmüller.+

VHF 6.15 am-6.55 Open University: On Beins a Social Worker; Athens and the Peloponnese. 11.15 pm-11.55 Open University: Handling Primary Sources; Why Handling Primary Design a Dome?

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Wogan.† 10.00 Jimmy Young.†
12.00 David Hamilton.† 2.00 pm
Steve Janes.† 4.00 Much More
Music.† 6.00 John Dunn.† 8.00
Folk on 2.† 9.00 Humphrey Lyttelton.† 10.00 Movie Quiz. 10.30 Star
Sound. 11.00 Brian Matthew. 2.00
am-5.00 You and the Night and the
Music.†

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Read. 9.00 am As Radio 2. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bares. 11.00 Andy Peebles. 12.30 pm Newsbeat. 12.45 Paul Burnett. 2.30 Date Lee Travis. 4.30 Peter Powell. 7.00 Stayin' Alive. 8.00 Richard Skinner. 10.00 John Peel.; 12.00 Close. VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2. 10.00 pm With Radio 1, 12.00-5.00 am With Radio

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Defence Correspondent

The Atomic Weapons Remaston where nuclear warheads are being developed for Britain's next generation of strategic deterrent, was among defence establishments affected by yesterday's Civil Service strike.

The submarine base on the Clyde, where 82 per cent of the non-industrial workers obeyed the unions' call, was another. But operations of the Polaris submarine force were not

Those involved in Wintex-81, nose involved in wintex-81, Nato's biggest command post exercise for two years, which opened yesterday, were hampered by a shortage of communications staff, Signals were dispatched and received more slowly than planned.

It was the second time in succession that a Wintex exercise has been affected by civil servants industrial action, and as the operation continues for two weeks the unions will have further opportunity to disrupt Britain's participation in it. Altogether 40 per cent of the 112,000 non-industrial defence

employees in Britain did not turn up for work, according to the Ministry of Defence. But the response was uneven, bring-ing production to a halt in some places such as Aldermaston while in others the effect was

Worst affected were the oyal Ordnance Factories where 90 per cent took the day off, and the naval dockyards. Five ordnance factories at Chor-ley, Lancashire; Bishopton, Renfrew; Bridgwater, Somerset; Glascoed, Gwent; and Nottingham, were forced to close, sending home their in-dustrial workers on full pay-The dockyards at Rosyth (more

than 95 per cent) and Chatham (80 per cent) had to take similar action, while Devonport (35 per cent) and Portsmouth (70

per cent) and Portsmouth (70 per cent) struggled through.

RAF Support Command workshops were also seriously affected. As many as 98 percent went on strike at a maintenance unit at Carlisle, while there was a similar response in other centres. The ministry's Royal Signals and Radar Establishment at Malvern managed to keep going although more than half its Civil Service worksforce staved away.

In Army workshops the response hovered between 60 and 70 per cent. But the A 70 per cent. But the Army establishments in general suffered only an 18 per cent loss of labour, and the distribution vas patchy. In Northern Ireland 22 per

cent staved away, but without causing operational difficulties, The Army was most affected in Wales where the strike was 43 per cent effective. Eastern District and Scotland, however, reported little difficulty. In most Army regions the response was concentrated in specific areas such as workshops and similar centres with a high civilian labour force. In London District only 1 per cent stayed away. Scottish action: About 50,000 civil servants were reported to have supported the strike in have supported the strike in Scotland. All airports, government offices, courts and public buildings were affected (Ronald Faux writes from Ediaburgh). Rallies in Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dundee and Aberdeen were well supported and indefinite action began at key military bases.

At Faslane staff responsible for documenting supplies being loaded on board nuclear submarines were on strike and at Pitreavie Castle civil servants dealing with maintenance of equipment did not turn up.

### Picket at Bevin ceremony

By Our Political Editor Mrs Queenie Wynne, Ernest Bevin's daughter, yesterday crossed a Civil Service picket line to attend a Department of the Employment ceremony honouring the centenary of her father's birth. But the Labour movement leadership did not Among the absentees were Department attempts to nego-Mr Michael Foot, Leader of tiate a dispensation with the the Opposition, members of the strikers failed. Among the absentees were Mr Michael Foot, Leader of

Luton airport on a wet and blustery Monday hardly ranks

among the world's glamorous

aviation crossroads, but yester-

day it took on an unaccustomed

charm for passengers.

As one of a handful of airports in Britain operating in spite of the strike of civil

By Arthur Reed

Cabinet, Mr Len Murray, TUC general secretary, and other union leaders. .

Regret was later voiced by Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, for any distress caused to guests by what he termed action "to disrupt" the ceremony.

## Listening to foreign intelligence disrupted

By Peter Hemessy

Among the more worrying pieces of information considered at yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Cabinet com-mittee charged with handling the consequences of the one Composite Signals Organiza-tion, the supplier of essential raw material to the Secret Intelligence Service and the Ministry of Defence's military intelligence establishment.

The ministry and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office declined to give figures for those on strike in the sensitive area of communications intellience. But the central operagence. But the central opera-tions room in the Civil Service Department, passing strike information to the Cabiner's Economy (official Civil Ser-vice) Committee, will have reported the shutdown of several sections of the organi-ration's seven listening stations in the United Kingdom and its central installation, the Government Communications Head-quarters (GCHQ) in Chelten-

A substantial number, of administrative staff reported for work. A Foreign and Commonwealth Office spokesman said, on behalf of GCHQ:
"A low percentage of staff did not turn up and there was some etiect on operations."

Union sources put the response to the strike call at 90 per cent among cypher and communications personnel responsible for technical opera-tions at Cheltenham and its seven outstations.

Their action could well mean that the country lost the bulk of one day's worth of signals intelligence, an activity where speed is of the essence in speed is of the essence in Whitehall's attempt to monitor the communications of potentially hostile powers.

All but one of the seven listening stations and the Cheltenham headquarters will be back at work today. The exception is the Composite Signals Organization Station at Bude, Cornwall, which tracks Soviet satellites.

The Council of Civil Service Unions has chosen Bude for which will continue for some time. Whitehail is taking the



## Only one person at No 10 fails to report for work

By Fred Emery Political Editor

Political Editor
Believing that they have foiled any Budget delays planned by Civil Service strikers, Whitehall sources were confident last night that the necessary steps would be taken by senior management in Customs and Excise to ensure in the control of the immediate and regular implementation of any tax changes announced today by the Chancellor of the Exchequer. So there will be no "bonus"

for consumers. tor consumers.

The unions had planned to have key officials walk our and fail to deal with special envelopes containing Budget instructions.

However, high Whitehall sources outlined the counter strategy. First, as soon as the Chancellor sits down this afternoon a provisional Budget resolution takes legal effect, until the Commons vote next Monday confirms it. Customs and Excise manage-

changes rake immediate effect, although it is said that any VAT changes would be a big

immediate effect on goods in bonded stores; that applies to petrol pumps, so petrol prices are likely to rise immediately. Studied indifference was des-tribed as the Prime Minister's response to the Civil Service strike. Her attitude throughout has been that the strike has been absolutely unjustifiable.

been absolutely unjustifiable.

However, one person in her office disagreed. He was described as a "secondee" or trainee in the Prime Minister's press office, and he alone of the No 10 civil servants did not turn up yesterday.

He will, it is claimed, not be summarily returned to his department but will serve out his term as the parlance goes.

his term as the parlance goes.

Whitehall sources admitted that a fifth of the six hundred staff, apparently mostly junior civil servams, failed to work.

#### Holidaymakers returning from the Continent yesterday had the chance of a pre-Budget

From Frances Gibb

bonanza with customs officials in south coast ports out on

But they showed great re-straint, either through honesty, lack of money or sheer ignor-ance of the dispute.

"Why didn't somebody tell us about it?" complained one traveller on seeing the empty desks behind the red "Some-thing to Declare" and green

"Nothing to Declare" channels at Dover. Others feared they might have been caught red-handed and felt it was not worth the risk.

But the chance was not lost on everyone. Two men from Thanet, Kent, came through the

customs barrier laden with plastic bags bursting with drink, chocolates, electrical goods and other souvenirs from Boulogne. "We always go before Budget day," one of them said, " but it did make it that bit more worth it today without the customs." Customs officers are sure that many travellers had taken advantage of their absence.

Mr James Feeney, an official with the Council of Civil Service Unions and a customs officer, said people had been telephoning him and his colleagues that morning to make sure the strike was really on.

More travellers than usual bad gone for day trips judging by the cars in the car park; ships' crews, he said, had come aboard with "very long arms".

On a normal day shift about 15 cars from each of 14 ships would go through the red channel and about 20 would be stopped going through the green channel, of which 70 per cent were usually above the legal allowance.

All passengers with something to declare were invited to make use of a so-called "honesty box" into which they were asked to put a form stat-ing what they had imported. and giving their names and addresses.

"But how many people do you think use that?" Mr Feeney said, "It is usually full of notes just taking the mickey." But Mr Neil Tanner, a traffic marshal, said that the same number of cars as usual were going through the red channel and their drivers making use of

the honesty box. An estimated 250 customs workers were on strike yesterday, representing more than 90 per cent of the workforce. Home Office count: The Home Office said last night that 2,541 people in the department were on strike, 26.6 per cent of those employed there (Our Home Affairs Correspondent They included 253 immigration officers, about half the number who would be

at work at any one time. In the prison department, about 700 of the 3,000 administrative grade civil servants did not work. Some prison officers took supporting action, but the running of establishments was

messengers and clerical
messengers and clerical
cers shared picket duty.
The unions involved
strictly limited the picket
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code of practical Shoppers sail past customs on a pre-Budget spree

code of practice.

At Downing Street, Mr b
Thatcher, the Prime Minis
son, driving a sports car
Mr Victor Popov, the Sc
Ambassador, swished the
the barrier and past the par without stopping.
The drivers of a laundry

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the Treasure caused the

ruffle of alarm in White yesterday as white workers abandoned their d

in the citadel of the Service and picketed the government departments.

appeared to have been ma by politeness, good humour

pouring rain. Claims about the effect

the strike were many varied ranging from a run

that communications better the Foreign Office and en

a good-humoured sugger that the Secretary of State Scotland would have diffit

answering questions at Commons today. The most senior civil serv

were not on the picket li Permanent secretaries staye their posts and although s

under secretaries and assis

secretaries were said to joined the strike they were to be seen under the umbr

outside the ministries, w

The Treasury pickers call policeman and the pedes, was warned about behaviour; otherwise the day strike in White

By Craig Seton

and a GPO vehicle refuse cross a picket line and pickets were cheered by thought that the Prime Mini would go without her mail clean laundry. But they fa to spot Lord Soames, the a ster responsible for the t Service, who is dealing their pay claim, leave Down Street huddled glumly in front of a chauffeur-driven Outside the Cabinet O

ickets said Mr Patrick Jen the Secretary of State point out the error of t ways, but other minis including Sir Keith Jos Secretary of State for Indu-and Mr Francis Pym, Leade the House, had ignored the A picket said: "We are of the image we have brollies and cups of rea. brolly brigade are all in and they will find out to

how much they miss us. At the Scottish Office picket said: "Without us tothe work the ministers going to have to start us their brains".
Mr Robert Taylor, a cler

officer picketing the Fore Office, said work on codes s cyphers had been abandon for the day

# **Economists** criticize

Two of Mrs Margaret Thatcher's economic advisers

criticized the Government pro-gress last night.

Speaking on BBC Television's

Panorama, Professor Friedrich
Hayek said he was alarmed at the slow movement on union reform. "The minister in charge of it is not in favour of radical alteration. I have no hope that so long as the matter is in his hands the necessar things will be done", he said. Professor Milton Friedman, on the same programme, said he understood that government spending had gone up. The prospects were not very good unless that was corrected He blamed resistance from

bureaucracy, the Civil Service and the Conservative Party, "not truly united", for the fact that many fine objectives were not being carried out.

But he praised the Prime Minister for sticking, by her guns, and said a fall in in-flation could lead to a strong

#### Earl's daughter killed in crash

boom in the economy.

Lady Joanna Stuart Wortley, ged 21. daughter of Lord aged 21, daughter of Lord Wharncliffe, died in a road crash near Cadeby Corner, Lincolnshire, at the weekend. The driver, Mr Patrick Dickinson, is in hospital with head and shoulder injuries.

Water rejection

Delegates representing General and Municipal Workers Union water employees in Merseyside and North Wales yesterday rejected the employers' 13 per cent pay offer.
Three out of the 10 union regions have rejected the offer.

John Conteh charged John Conteh, the boxer, was last night charged with assault and appears before Marland appears before Marl-borough Street magistrates to day. The charge rongs an incident at a restaurant in the West end of London.

Lecturers accept 7.5% Union leaders representing 80,000 lecturers in England and Wales yesterday accepted a pay rise of 7.5 per cent from April 1.

Correction

Sir Philip Dowson, not Dawson as stated yesterday, is the recipient of the 1981 Royal Gold Medal for

## Transport Bill for Government the guillotine

was full of bustle.

By Hugh Noyes Parliamentary Correspondent

The Transport Bill was successfully guillotined in Commons yesterday when it was allocated a timetable requiring its committee stage to be com-pleted by the end of this month.

.The Bill, which in the eyes of Labour MPs introduces a num-ber of horrific proposals for the British Railways Board, the Transport Docks Board and the National Ports Council, has been dragging itself painfully through Parliament with little to show for the time so far spent in committee.

Yesterday Mr Francis Pym. Leader of the House, gave a full and horrendous account of the verbal Olympics showing that in 17 sittings spread over 55 hours only five pages of the 77-page Bill had been dealt with. If they carried on at that rate, Mr Pym added, they would still be in committee well into 1982.

As if that was not sufficiently blood curdling, the

House was further informed that Mr John Prescott, Labour MP, for Kingston upon Hull, East, had spoken on one amend ment for two hours and 40 minutes.

To most reasonable men, the thought of having to listen to Mr Prescott for more than two hours should have been sufficient reason to pass the time-table motion without further

It is one of the more curious customs of the Commons that if the Government considers the Opposition to be wasting time or dragging its feet on controversial legislation, its only redress is to introduce a timetable motion which itself

has to be debated for three Naturally, Mr John Silkin, leading vesterday from the Labour front bench, expressed his shock and horror that any suggestion of time wasting could be made.

One MP brought the House to its toes with an account of what the actress said to the producer and Mr Albert Booth wound up for the Opposition with a final plea that his col-leagues had acted with remarkable restraint.

The Tory benches shuddered slightly at the thought of what an unrestrained Mr Prescott might have achieved. But the cries of anguish fell on deaf ears and the motion was carried by 303 votes to 235, a government majority of 68. Parliamentary report, page 4 | money,

carrying a total of five thousand people to and from holidays in the sunshine. While no aero engines were piles of sandwiches.

All that activity was made possible because Luton is a started on the runways of Heathrow and Gatwick, Luton

local authority airport. Its air traffic controllers are employed by the borough council, not the ports in Britain operating in Jet airliners in the livery of by the borough council, not the spite of the strike of civil Britannia Airways and Monarch Civil Aviation Authority. They servants, including air traffic Airlines roared off into the low are not members of the civil

the former MP for Mid-Ulster, declared herself a probable candidate for the Fermanagh

and South Tyrone constituency yesterday, caused by the death last week of Mr Frank Maguire, a close friend of hers.

She also plans to resume work in the National H-Blocks

Committee, she told a meeting

in her home town of Coalisland

Sinn Fein is also thinking of fielding a candidate, for the first time since 1955, when it captured Fermanagh and Mid-

candidates who never took their

Mrs McAliskey (née Devlin)

spoke of many unanswered questions after the assassination

attempt on her two months ago.

She said she was indebted to a

young British soldier who saved her husband's life and probably

saved hers. Her right leg is still in plaster

and she is using crutches; three

of the seven or eight bullets that hit her smashed into bones. Mrs McAliskey said that many questions over the attempt on

their lives would probably never be answered. Why, for

example, were four paratroopers on hand "almost as I hit the ground".

GLC accused of

over 'Romans'

The Greater London Coun-

cil's decision not to increase its

grant to the National Theatre because of the play The Romans in Britain was "retro-

spective censorship", the Arts

regretted the decision to penalize the National for just one production out of 16 in a

Such censorship was "all the more deplorable" in that the

production was approved by the theatre's board, of which the leader and chief whip of the GLC were members.

Mr Frederick Weyer, chair-man of the GLC's arts commit-tee, said: "I am very surprised

at such a statement, especially in view of some of the recent Arts Council decisions".

Rejecting the charge of censorship, he said the GLC had a right to review what the

was getting for

Council said yesterday. Mr Kenneth Robinson, Jouncil chairman, said

very successful year.

Council

publi-

censorship

By Martin Huckerby Theatre Reporter

seats.

of the few secondary surveillance radars in the country that enables them to see the aircraft

The paratroopers, who had arrested three men outside the bungalow, had left without giv-

ing medical help but promised to get it. For about 20 minutes

she and her husband were with-

Mrs McAliskey yesterday:

If the present crisis in the

a Commons committee was told

one third of the West End's

forty theatres had been closed.

He considered it "lunatic"

that the Inland Revenue should

be losing so much money be-

ground for many people em-ployed in television. "Our theatre and our television are the best in the world by far, and television will suffer if artists are not trained in the theatre."

Mr Gale was giving evidence to the Select Committee for

Education, Science and the

The theatre was the training

cause of those closures.

theatre.

West End theatres crisis

West End theatre were to to be restored for "angels"-

persist, other industries, includ- casual investors in theatrical

ing tourism, would be affected, productions-Mr Gale said they

last night.

Mr John Gale, chairman of the Theatres National Commuttee, the body which speaks for the industry, said he had worked in the theatre for 35 years and this was the first time one third of the West End's

'a threat to tourism'

'Unanswered" questions

By Kenneth Gosling

Mrs Bernadette McAliskey, four men asked for a telephone

Drayton, near Heathrow. Controllers at Luton, using their radar which includes one on screens and to identify them with callsign and height,

Business as usual for passengers and flight controllers at Luton airport controllers, it handled 16 airliner departures and 17 arrivals
passengers made last-minute of whose controller members to other local authority aircarrying a total of five purchases, played on spacevirtually closed the big air field controllers at Southend
thousand people to and from invader machines, or munched traffic control centre at West.

Those controllers saw the Those controllers saw the aircraft out of British airspace and into the hands of French Belgian or Dutch controllers.

The Luton radar covers an area of 300 sq miles and up to 3,500ft in altitude, so that the airliners had to fly lower than

bungalow and during the heli-copter flight to hospital, especi-

ally to one whose name she

"Had he not given assist-ance to me and applied a tour-

niquet to my husband, we would probably both be dead. Cer-

officially fight the seat in 1979

because of a bitter internal squabble, but there is little

doubt that it will field a candi-

Neutrality in Ireland, page 14

'Arts on public and private

were normally comfortably off,

arts from the independent tele-

Another witness, Lord Red-cliffe-Maud, author of a report on arts subsidies published five years ago, pleaded for the con-

tinued financial support of

teaching

In a plea for tax advantages

funding of the arts.

to present, he said.

vision companies.

instrumental

date this time.

# Mrs McAliskey a likely candidate | Seal-culling | Floods damage homes and They did not belong to The out help until the Argylis Argyll and Sutherland High-arrived at the bungalow on the landers, stationed locally. The outskirts of the town. despite ban

By Hugh Clayton About 400 demonstrators against seal-culling walked

four men asked to.

but it had been cut by the
but it had been cut by the
attackers. The soldiers claimed
their radio was not working,
calm "and I did not hear them
cry", Mrs McAliskey said.

She had expressed thanks to

Arevils who had adminithe Argylls who had admini-stered medical help at the through London to a rally yesterday despite a government ban on all marches this month. Their route of almost two miles led from the south side of Westminster Bridge to Speakers' Corner.

They were accompanied by policemen who told them tainly, my husband would be."

The Fermanagh by-election raises a number of intriguing questions. The Social Democratic and Labour Party did not proceed in groups of 20 at intervals of two minutes without massed placards and without interrupting traffic by walking in the road.

Demonstrators said they had

the government. If Mrs McAliskey stands, It is doubtful that Sinn Fein will fight the seat because it will want to split the nationalist General election: M. F. Maguire (Ind) 23,398; R. Ferguson (Off UU) 17,411; A. Curric (SDLP) 10,785; E. Baird (UUUP) 10,607; P. Acheson (Alliance) 1,070; Ind maj 4,987.

been assured by the police that such activity would not consti-tute a march as defined by

The demonstration was organized by the International Fund for Animal Welfare to protest against the annual cull of young harp seals which is about to begin in Newfoundland

## land in Wales and Dorset From Tim Jones

Cardiff

Mentally handicapped children were yesterday moved from a special school near Bridgend in Mid Glamorgan as flood warnings were given for several rivers in south Wales. Flood water edged close to the children's school and volunteers and off-duty staff helped them to move after the warnings that the evening high tide could cause the flood water to rise to a dangerous level.

Unremitting rain flooded hundreds of acres of agricultural land and some basements were swamped: In Cardiff wardrobe girls and belpers tried to save expensive costumes as water poured into Welsh National Opera Company. Dorset badly affected: Traffic was blocked on roads in Dorset last night as the county's coastal

towns were flooded by heavy rain (Our Weymouth Correspondent writes). Elood protection gear was on standby at West Bay and Brid- years a port as the River Brit threat- ruined.

ened to burst its banks. Corfe Castle, homes flooded with two feet of w and at Swapage workmen be pump out houses. Sandbags were piled ou shops at Southill shopping of cinct, Weymouth, as a sign

burst its banks flooded a supermarket. Roads between Corfe C and Swanage and Dorch-and Weymouth were cl during the afternoon and a other busy routes threatened. The police Bournemouth said it was ... a matter of time before r overflowed .. and

Property.
Roads were also blocke Frome in Somerset, and p reinforcements were broug the River Earle overflowed threatened to flood the vol Dorset last night was the port that the sea was rough enough to come over Chesil Bank, as happened years ago when homes

# Weather forecast and recordings

#### Sun rises: 6.26 am

5.56 pm Moon rises: Moon sets: First quarter: March 13. 11.22 pm First quarter: March 13.
Lighting up: 6.26. pm to 5.54 am.
High water: London Bridge, 4.19
am, 7.5m; 4.49 pm, 7.3m; Avonmouth, 10.01 am, 13.7m; 10.15 pm,
13.1m; Dover, 1.21 am, 6.8m;
1.45 pm, 6.6m; Bull, 8.54 am,
7.6m; 9.08 pm, 7.9m; Liverpool,
1.42 am, 9.5m; 1.59 pm, 9.7m.
Ift = 0.3048m 1m = 3.2808ft
A moist airstream covers much
of the United Kingdom with
troughs of low pressure moving
NE across many districts.
Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight : London, East Anglia, E Mid-lands, E England; Bright Inter-vals possible at first, probably rain at times; wind SW, fresh, max temp 12° to 14°C (54° to 57°F). SE, central S, central N Eng-land, W Midlands: Mostly cloudy with occasional rain or drizzle, hill fog; wind SW fresh; max temp 12°C (54°F).

A new musical based on the poems of T. S. Eliot, with a cast of 22 was costing £400,000 His committee wanted pressure nationally and within the EEC for zero-rating of value-added tax for the theatre and a greater contribution to the

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; d, drizzle ; f, fair ; fg, fog ; r, rain ; s, sun.

N Ireland: Mostly cloudy, occa-ional rain or drizzle, hill for patches: wind S or SW, moder-ate; max temp 10° to 11°C (50° to 52°F).

Outlook for temorrow and Thursday: Continuing unsettled with rain in many places; gener-ally mild. Sea passages: S North Sea.

Channel Islands, SW. NW England, Wales, Isle of Man: Cloudy, outbreaks of rain, some heavy and prolonged, hill and coast fog; wind SW, fresh; max temp 11° to 12°C (52° to 54°F).

Lake District, NE England, Borders, Edigburgh, Dunder, SW. Strait of Dover, English Cha.
(E): Wind SW, strong, occase ally gale force: sea rough. St George's Channel, Trish & Wind S, Fresh or strong; sea w

ders. Edinburgh, Dundee. SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argvil: Cloudy, rain, becoming drizzly, hill and coast fog; wind fresh; max temp 10°C to 12°C (50° to 54°F). London: Temp: max 6 am 6 pm, 12°C. (54°F); min 6 to 6 am. 11°C. (52°F). Humic 6 pm, 93 per cent. Pain, 24 hr to 6 mi. Bar, mean sea level, 6 1010.5 millibars rising. A\*F).

Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NY Scotland: Dull, periods of rain moving N and turning to drizzle, Hill rog: wind SE, or S, fresh; max temp 8°C (46°F). 1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

The strike of civil servants prevented the Meteorolog Office from providing wea NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Dull with periods of rain, hill for developing; wind SE, fresh to strong; max temp 6°C (43°F). forecast maps

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